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"LET WHO CAN BE CLEVER"

PRIZE DAY AT ST. PAUL'S INSTITUTE
CAPITAL DISPLAY

The nuns are known all over the world for their educational work, and here in Hong Kong these untiring sisters are no less to the fore in imparting knowledge to those entrusted to their care.

These parents of the pupils and well-wishers of the St. Paul's Institute (French Convent School) who were present at their annual Speech Day this morning could not but be impressed with the good work that these sisters are doing in the Colony, and not only in educational work, they give to their pupils the accomplishment and "polish" which are so necessary to achieve success in life. These were amply demonstrated this morning by the really splendid display given. Two pianos and eight hands playing them is a feat that only talented pupils would dare to play in public, again, a piano duet is another feat requiring much skill and training. All these were given by the smart pupils of this school, and their rendering met with much applause. There were several items on the programme, all of which went to show that the pupils had been taught by experts.

The prizes were given away by Mrs. W. T. Southern after the annual report of the school had been read by the Rev. Father Gallagher, S.J.

At the conclusion of the reading of the annual report, the Rev. Father Gallagher, in a suitably worded speech, told the pupils not to forget their alma mater after leaving school. The nuns worked very hard for their education, and after leaving school they should form themselves into a "Past Pupils' Union," and that whenever he was needed he would only be too pleased to come forward in view of the fact that the girls were able to make Irish stew—and that was the finest thing to an Irishman like himself.

Mrs. Southern then congratulated the pupils who had successfully passed their examinations, and before the pleasant gathering dispersed, little Miss Hollands in "A Little Speech" thanked Mrs. Southern and all those who were present. A beautiful bouquet of carnations was presented to Mrs. Southern.

The Report

The enrolment and regular attendance during the past year have been most satisfactory. The maximum number on the roll was 250, and there were 240 present at the annual inspection. There is no doubt that where there is regular attendance at a school there is bound to be progress. This has been the case all during the year, as the tests given in the various classes have shown very satisfactory results. The pupils have enjoyed perfectly good health and we are greatly indebted to Mrs. E. P. Minnett M.O.S. who kindly visited the school twice during the year and gave us most helpful suggestions regarding the children's eye-sight and the advantages of physical exercises. In her report she mentions that the classrooms and dormitories were all in good condition, showing both cleanliness and good ventilation; important factors in a school where there is a large number of children. The annual inspection was conducted by Mr. A. R. Sutherland on the 7th and 8th of October last. The following extracts are taken from his report: "Building and Discipline, excellent. In the Kindergarten Department the singing is very good. All written work, drawing books, map-drawing etc., is well done and carefully corrected. Reading, recitation, and colloquial throughout the school are good. Dictation tests given at the inspection were well done, and Arithmetic is well taught. The school is very efficient."

Examination Results
Mrs. Sutherland kindly inspected the needlework and was very pleased with the excellence of the work shown. The Preparatory Class for the Chinese pupils continues to be a great success. There are two divisions A and B, and the special prize for progress in English presented by Mr. Ho Koon-tong has been awarded to Miss "Gertie" Chan. And the Anna Memorial Prize to Miss "Gertie" Chan.

BANDITS ACTIVE

OVER 20 ROBBERS' NESTS AT LAITUNG BOATS ROBBED

PATROL DUTY ALONG THE RIVER

Canton, Yesterday.

According to a joint petition submitted by the Chamber of Commerce, the Merchants' Guild and the Local Bureau of Finance in Yingtah to the Provincial Government through the 7th District Inspector and the Yingtah Magistrate, it is stated that the bandits have become very active along the North River districts, especially the section around Yingtah, since the rebels' invasion last year. Within 100 li between Laitung and Pa-kong-how over 20 robbers' nests have been established, demanding \$50 to \$60 each for large boats and \$20 each for small boats that pass their barriers. With the collections, the outlaws have purchased more arms and ammunition, and consequently if immediate action is not taken for their elimination, untold sufferings will fall upon the people.

Local Militia

It is, therefore, proposed to organise a local militia for patrol duty along the river, the expenses of which are suggested to be levied monthly from boats under four specified classes—A class \$15, B class \$12, C class \$9 and D class \$5. The receipts are estimated to amount to over \$3,000 a month which sum is sufficient to support 150 militia. Rifles may be borrowed from various places in the district.

As soon as the general situation becomes normal, the above levy will be immediately abolished.

The Provincial Government has passed the petition over to the Departments of Civil Affairs and of Finance for consideration.—Canton News Agency.

several distinctions. For the first time in May last year, four pupils were presented for the Trinity College examination for music and one Junior and three for the intermediate. All passed and prizes for these have been very kindly provided by Lady Ho Tung. Miss Edna Carroll was the winner of the Lugard Scholarship for the year 1929. The evening class for Pitman's Shorthand has been well attended during the year and the same may be said for the classes for French. The school has again been honoured by distinguished visitors and by friends interested in education amongst whom were Lady Clement and also the Rev. Father Robert who passed through the Colony in April last. It may be mentioned here, he has very kindly provided the school with a fine projection lamp by means of which interesting and instructive pictures may be shown to the pupils. Taking advantage of the kind invitation of the Brother Director of St. Joseph's College the girls took part in the annual sports held in the Sookumpoo Valley and thoroughly enjoyed themselves; and many also took part in the Kowloon sports and won several prizes. In the numerous activities of the school the charitable portion is not neglected, the pupils being willing helpers on all occasions; and their efforts were particularly crowned with success last year when they were able to collect over \$800 for Hong Kong's Poor at the sale of roses organised by the society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Well-Wishers Thanked

We should like on this occasion to thank the many friends of the school for their kind co-operation with us in our work, and the Rev. Mother Superior and all the Sisters tender their grateful thanks to Mrs. Southern for so kindly accepting to come and distribute the prizes, to Lady Ho Tung for music prizes, to His Lordship Bishop Valente, to the French Consul Monsieur Duval-Villalon, to Mr. E. Ralphs, Director of Education, to the R. R. Fathers of the Mission, to Mr. Ho Koon-tong O.B.E. and to Mr. Pecton for the Anna Memorial Prize and to all kind benefactors who have kindly helped in providing prizes.

We also wish to thank Messrs. Anderson & Co. for the loan of extra piano for this occasion.

WINE SMUGGLING

Liquor Concealed in a Bamboo Pole

INGENIOUS RUSE

An ingenious way of smuggling dutiable wine into the Colony was disclosed in Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham's Court this morning when a Chinese was charged with the unlawful possession of half a gallon of Chinese wine which he had attempted to smuggle past searchers on the Ping On wharf.

A Chinese Revenue Officer stated that the accused pretended to be a coolie and tried to amble off the wharf with a bamboo pole on his shoulder, for all the world looking like a dejected coolie who had failed to get work.

Something about the man's appearance, however, caused the R.O. to suspect him and, accordingly, he was stopped for search. Then the R.O. detected a strong smell of the wine coming from the pole and he examined it closely. He removed a plug from one end of the pole, and then the trick was discovered. The joints of the bamboo had been patiently hollowed out, and from one end to the other the pole was full of wine.

When the smuggler pleaded "guilty" before the Magistrate, R.O. Grimmett asked that a serious case be taken of the case as this was a new way of smuggling. Accused was fined \$50 or one month's jail, and the wine was confiscated.

TRAP FOR SERVANT

Theft of Money from a School

"I don't know—I may be wrong—but it is usually left to the Police to set traps rather than the private individual," observed Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when a Chinese servant girl, aged 13, was charged with the theft of a one dollar note, from a school mistress of the Yee Fan School in Yaumati.

Sergeant Barnicle, who prosecuted, said that the complainant at Chinese New Year lost two keys belonging to her jewellery box where she kept her money, and, incidentally, since the loss of those keys, she had lost from time to time money totalling about \$50.

She suspected the servant girl and laid a trap. She sent the girl to the market and during her absence she put the money box in one of the pupil's desks. On the girl returning she was ordered by the amah to clean the desks. In the meantime the complainant hid in the cockpit of the school room. She saw the girl clean the desks, and then come across the box, which she took out. From her pocket she produced the key, opened it, and stole the one dollar note.

In order to catch the girl, and as a signal to three pupils who were put on watch on the floor below, the mistress threw two stones on the floor, and thus the trap was complete. The culprit was searched and the note, corresponding in number to that the mistress had previously written on paper, was found in her inner pocket.

His Worship, after conviction, said that the question now arose as to what should be done with the girl, for it was no use taking her before the S.C.A. or to the Po Leung Kuk, as her grandmother had turned up in Court.

The case was remanded for 24 hours.

THEFT FROM KNITTING FACTORY

Lai Yan, a machinist at a knitting factory in Yaumati was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning convicted on a charge of the theft of four spools of woolen yarn, and sentenced to two months' hard labour.

WEARING FEMALE TROUSERS

A Chinese who was stopped for search in the street by a constable was found to be wearing two pairs of female trousers over his own. However, the woman's trousers were found to be empty, and the man was released.

LIBERALS SAFER IN HALF-WAY HOUSE

LLOYD GEORGE SENSITIVE OF HURTING THE GOVERNMENT

FATE OF THE CONFERENCE

London, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons to-day Mr. Lloyd George, in announcing that Liberals would not further participate in amendments to the Committee stage of the Coal Bill, because hostile action by Liberals at present would critically affect the state of the Naval Conference, said that he understood that the fate of the Conference was hanging in the balance. It was a matter of life and death, therefore the Liberals felt that they ought not to undertake the responsibility of defeating the Government or even of putting them into a humiliating position.

CHARTERED BANK

Consolidating Charter to Give Wider Scope

London, March 18.

The Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China is obtaining a new consolidating Charter, giving it wider scope.—Straits Times.

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Tory Defeat

As a result of the Liberal abstention the House of Commons rejected by 274 votes to 229 the Conservative amendment proposing to remove the power to fix a minimum price for each class of coal.

Committee Stage Completed

Later.

The committee stage of the Coal Bill has been completed in the House of Commons.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

Tokyo, To-day.

An agreement has been reached for an interchange of military officers between Japan and the Soviet, enabling Japanese officers to be attached to Soviet military units and vice versa.

A similar agreement has long existed between Britain and Japan and likewise during the past few years between Japan and America; but, owing to the difference of national circumstances, no such interchange between Japan and the Soviet has been carried out up to the present.—Reuter.

New York, Yesterday.

The Royal Dutch loan mentioned in yesterday's message from Amsterdam will consist of fifteen year four per cent. debentures issued at 89½. The deal was put through over the trans-Atlantic telephone.

The Federal Reserve Bank in San Francisco has lowered its discount rate from 4½ to 4 per cent.

Jacksonville (Florida), Yesterday.

Carnera has claimed his eleventh victim, knocking out in the first round Frank Xavita. The fight lasted 1 min. 51 sec.

Daytona Beach, Yesterday.

Kaye Don engaged in two trials in connection with his projected attempt on the motor speed record. He attained only 90 miles an hour in his first effort on a bumpy beach. A heated argument with Mr. Louis Costalen the French designer of the car followed, after which Kaye Don set out on a second trial. He reached 101 miles an hour, during which the car often jumped several feet in the air owing to the roughness of the track. Subsequently Kaye Don postponed further trials until Saturday.—Reuter's American Service.

FINE TO CLOUDY

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states: There is now a belt of high pressure extending from S. China to S. Manchuria.

Fresh to moderate monsoon prevails along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

LYSOL IN WINE

A Woman Who Was "Stupified"

FAMILY TROUBLES

The utter impossibility of getting to the bottom of Chinese family troubles and affairs was expressed by Detective-Inspector C. P. Fallon at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when he prosecuted a Chinese married woman named, Wong Kiu, who was charged with attempting to aggrive Lai Tai Tai at 140 Reclamation Street, by causing some wine to be taken with lysol.

The woman, in reply to the charge said: "Ah Luk stupified me, and I poured the lysol into the wine."

The Government Analyst, Mr. E. R. Dovey, stated that on March 14, Inspector Fallon personally handed him a quart bottle containing 10.9 fluid ounces of liquid.

The liquid was examined and found to contain lysol, the amount present being equal to 0.4 per cent. The liquid was Chinese wine, and the bottle in Court had a total amount of lysol amounting to 18 grains which was one-sixth of a fatal dose. Mr. Dovey pointed out that there had been cases where a person had gulped down lysol in a mixture not realising what it was.

Inspector Fallon said that it was all a Chinese family trouble puzzle which one could never solve. His Worship raised the question of the woman's mentality, and suggested that she be kept in the jail prison for a week under observation. This was accordingly ordered.

EDITOR RETIRES

Changes in a Shanghai Newspaper

Shanghai, To-day.

The North China Daily News announces that the Editor, Mr. O. M. Green, is retiring towards the end of June. His successor is Mr. Edwin Haward, who arrives in Shanghai about May 4.—Reuter

[Mr. Haward, who has been Information officer at the India office since 1923, was educated at Reading School and King's College, London. He joined the staff of the Civil and Military Gazette, Lahore, in 1909, and became manager and Editor in 1920, and was Editor of the All-India Pioneer 1926-28. He was special correspondent of the Pioneer on the Prince of Wales's tour in Bombay and Rajputana and commanded a machine gun volunteer battery in the Punjab riots, for which he received the thanks of the Secretary of State. Mr. Haward is 46, and has published several books on India, including "The Foolsie Fakir."]

NOT LADDERS OF FAME

Two Chinese were yesterday arrested by the Police for the theft of step ladders, and this morning made their appearance before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham.

The first man was charged with stealing a 12-foot bamboo ladder from a printer's shop at 163 Hollywood Road. The ladder was just outside the shop and a foki saw the accused walking away with it. He gave chase, caught him, and handed him over to a constable.

Accused was ordered to pay a fine of \$4 or go to jail for seven days.

The other man stole a wooden ladder from a shop in Hollywood Road. He was also seen and arrested.

This man told the Magistrate an ingenious story. Someone, he said, had stolen his bed, so he had merely "borrowed" the ladder to sleep on. He had no intention of stealing it.

His Worship convicted. The Police proved that the accused had twice previously been in trouble for stealing, whereupon Mr. Grantham imposed a fine of \$5 or eight days' jail.

7.19 inches against an average of 4.94 inches.

Temperature and Humidity
The temperature and humidity at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock were:

	Temp.	Humid.
Hong Kong	80	75
Macao	81	74
Francia Island	89	74
Manila	75	85
Amoy	82	75
Singapore	84	80
Chafco	80	72
Shanghai	41	87

SINISTER MOVE

YEN TO BORROW \$20,000,000

LOAN FROM U.S. TO ORGANISE A NEW GOVERNMENT

Nanking, Yesterday.

Yen Hsi-shan, who is about to assume the post of Commander-in-Chief of the allied forces, has appointed Liu Chi (a Kuomintang general) as the Chief of Staff, and instructed Fu Tso-yi to concentrate at Shihchiachung, Feng Peng-tao at Shuntah and Sun Tso at Han Tan. Yen is said to be contemplating to raise a loan of \$20,000,000 from America, France and Belgium.

Yen will shortly, according to a report, proceed to Peking to combine with the Peking Clique to organise a new government, having decided to appoint Tuen Chi-ai as Minister of Interior, Liang Shi-ye as Minister of Finance, and Wu Pei-fu as Minister of Army. Following the apprehension of the populace, the situation at Peking has now grown critical, while the big shops have suspended business.

Upon his return to Shensi, Feng Yu-shiang was supplied with 1,000 machine guns and given \$500,000 by Yen Hsi-shan, according to a reliable report.

Peaceful Solution

Shanghai, Yesterday. The latest political development in the last two days, according to a reliable report, indicates a possibility of a peaceful solution of the present tense situation. A party of important representatives are now on their way by boat to Shanghai. Meanwhile the Central Government is making full preparations, notwithstanding that efforts are being made to smooth the trouble by political means.

The situation in Honan is not so critical as reported in the Press, the news being mostly rumours fabricated by certain source, which hopes to see China continue its internal war for ulterior motives.—Canton News Agency.

Earlier Cables

Nanking, Yesterday.

Chiang Kai-shek left this morning at nine o'clock aboard the gunboat Chu Yu. His departure was kept a very strict secret, and was most unexpected, especially in view of yesterday's announcement by the State Council that the Generalissimo was leaving the capital on March 21 to inspect the troops in the Shanghai and Hangchow areas, thence going to Tientsin-Pukow and Peking-Hankow railways, returning to Nanking on May 10.

The acting Navy Minister, Chen Shao-kwang, accompanied Chiang Kai-shek this morning, but the usual staff did not accompany him. It is variously reported that Chiang Kai-shek has left for Hankow and Shanghai, while persistent reports are that he has gone to Fenghua to visit his hometown, but this is discredited by well-informed circles.

Reported Near Chinkiang

Shanghai, Yesterday. It is learned that Chiang Kai-shek inspected the Silver Island forts, near Chinkiang, this morning.—Reuter.

OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY

Wong Wan-yung, who died intestate at 1 Kung Hung Street, Fatsan, on December 24, 1928, left local estate to the value of \$23,700. Letters of administration have been granted to his widow, Wong Lau-shi, of 47, Jervois Street.

Probate of the will of Lai Chu-ki, alias Lai Kwok-lun, an interpreter, Canton Road, who died on August 28, 1929, has been granted to Lai Young-shi, and Lai Pun-shi, executors under the will. The estate amounts to \$12,300. Certain fixed deposits in local banks are specifically stated to have been entrusted to testator's care by relatives by marriage, and the administrators are charged to acquaint such relatives, at testator's decease, of the whereabouts of such funds, which are not to come into the general estate.

Mr. Randolph Churchill, Mr. Winston Churchill's only son, who is an undergraduate at Christ Church, Oxford, will shortly make his first appearance as a speaker at the Oxford Union Society, when he will move "That this House disapproves of the proposed treaty with Egypt."

TRIBUTES TO LORD BALFOUR

THE PASSING OF THE "LAST OF THE ATHENIANS"

HIS COURAGE IN WAR

Rugby, Yesterday. Striking tributes to the late Lord Balfour were paid by party leaders in both Houses of Parliament to-day. In the House of Commons the Premier asked the House to unite in doing homage to the work and memory of one who sat in the House nearly half a century and led it for nearly twelve years. Lord Balfour, he said, was a haughty politician and party leader but even when the object of an angry attack he never lost his personality in his work. His politics were a philosophy, his methods intellectually balanced. In his latter years as an elder statesman Lord Balfour had exercised more influence than ever before on British public life. His work for the League of Nations was embodied in its foundations. His handwriting was enshrined in the surety of freedom now being developed by our Dominions. The world had emerged from the war bearing his name on many of its gateways. His insight was recorded in happy recollections which were growing up now between the United States and ourselves.

Rare Courage

Mr. Stanley Baldwin said that a characteristic of Lord Balfour throughout his life was his rare courage, physical and moral—courage shown particularly during the years when he held the office of Chief Secretary for Ireland. No finer intellect, no greater dialectician, had been engaged in politics. It had been said of Lord Asquith, the late Liberal leader, that he was the last of the Romans. It might be said that Lord Balfour was the last of the Athenians. His mind was all embracing. He loved Science, Music and Philosophy. He had intense love of his country, intense belief in the part she was playing in the world. Mr. Baldwin believed that Lord Balfour's career as a national statesman dating from the first day of the War until the last day of his life would be remembered as long as the history of this country was written.

Link With Victorian Epoch
Mr. Lloyd George, the Liberal leader, said that by Lord Balfour's death we seemed to have finally severed the link with the great Victorian epoch. He would rank Lord Balfour with Gladstone as the most formidable Parliamentary debater he had ever heard in that House. But Lord Balfour's rich faculties were better adapted to the part which he had played during and after the War.

Lord Balfour was one of most valued assets of the British Empire during those terrible days of war. After the War, when passion was still raging and volcanic fires were still unquenched, his calm judgment was a treasure.

There were three outstanding events which would give him a lasting name in history. The first was the Washington Conference, the success of which was largely attributable to the wonderful courage with which he accepted the responsibility of bold decision. It was the only Disarmament Conference that had ended in disarmament. The other two events were Lord Balfour's declaration regarding Palestine and Lord Balfour's note regarding war debts. Lord Balfour's note was the greatest achievement, worthily made by a great man.

Tributes to the dead statesman were paid likewise in the House of Lords by Lords Farmoor, Salisbury, and Becham, the leaders respectively of Labour, Conservative and Liberal Parties and the Archbishop of Canterbury.—British Wireless Service.

ARSON CHARGE WITHDRAWN

The master of a joss paper shop in Wanchai who was charged with arson made an unexpected appearance before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham, this morning, when the Police asked for leave to withdraw the charge against the accused on the ground of insufficient evidence. His Worship accordingly discharged accused.

Half a 2d stamp used in 1894 on the Niger coast, West Africa, was sold for \$100, and a 5d 1898 stamp of Great Britain for \$20. Harmer's, the stamp auctioneer, 605, Road Street, W.

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RIFLE MEETING REMINDER

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Orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., state:—
Machine Gun Course
 O.C. Companies are reminded that Part I. M. Gun Course should be fired on Kennedy Road Range during the early part of the year.
Annual Rifle Meeting
 The annual rifle meeting will be held on Good Friday, and Saturday, April 18 and 19, on Stonecutters Range.

Range Allotment
 Ranges are allotted as follows:—
 Friday, March 28.—Miniature
 Range to O.C. Portuguese Com-
 pany.
 Friday, March 28.—Kennedy
 Road Range to O.C. Portuguese
 Company.

Corps Band
The Band will parade for Band Practice on Thursday at 5.30 p.m. at Headquarters in mufti.

Engineer Company
Thursday—Parade at Instruction Shed, Wellington Barracks, for D.L. training at 5.30 p.m. Dress, mufti.

Corps Signals
Parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Thursday, at 5.30 p.m. All members are requested to attend.

Machine Gun Troop
Parade on Friday, March 28 at 5.30 p.m. at Volunteer Headquarters for Machine Gun Instruction.

Armoured Car Company
Car Section—Parade at Volunteer Headquarters to-day at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction
Cycle Section—Parade at Volunteer Headquarters to-day at 5.15 p.m. for instructional ride
Machine Gun Company

The Company will parade in mufti on Thursday at 5.30 p.m. at Headquarters for Machine Gun Training—Recruits on the Kennedy Road Range for musketry. Musketry—Platoon teams for the Rifle meeting will parade at Peel Range at 3.30 p.m. on Sunday.

Parades, Thursday:—
No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon Dock
under Lt. G. Duncan, M.B.E.
No. 7 Platoon at Headquarters
5.30 p.m. under Capt. H. R.
From the General with com-

Forsyth. Squad drill with arms. Belt and frogs will be worn. Musketry—Parts I & II will be fired at Stonecutters on Sunday. Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. calling at Kowloon Police Pier at 9.10 a.m. Range Officer Capt. H. R. Forsyth.

Portuguese Company
Musketry Part I—The Company is reminded that Part I Musketry will be fired at Stonecutters on March 30. Details will be issued later.

Parades—The Company will parade as follows on Friday, March 30:

28. Recruits for firing practice at Kennedy Road Range.
No. 9 & 10 Platoons will parade at Headquarters for Lewis Gun Training.
No. 11 & 12 Platoons will parade at Miniature Range for Musketry

Marksmen
The following have qualified as marksmen and are entitled to wear the badges for one year:—
No. 1111 Sgt. C. E. M. Terry
No. 3 Platoon, 91 points.
No. 1540 Sgt. R. E. Slattery
No. 2 Platoon, 88 points.

No. 2 Platoon, 33 points.
No. 1198 Cpl. J. W. Beattie,
No. 3 Platoon, 91 points.
Promotion and Appointment
His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has appointed Mr. Cyril Champkin to be Lieutenant in the Reserve of Officers, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Authority:—C.S.O. 2 in 193/1934.
No. 1111 A.C.Q.M.S. C. E. M.
Terry reverts to his permanent
Rank of Sergeant with effect from
January 1.

No. 849 Bdr. W. G. Lawson, 1st
Battery, to be Lance Sergeant
from date.

No. 1472 Gnr. D. Black, The Ba
tery, to be Lance Bombardier
from date.

No. 1367 Gnr. M. I. De Ville, The
Battery, to be Lance Bombardier

Strength
The following recruits have been taken on the strength and posted as under:—
No. 1545 Pte. C. Jackson, N
7 Platoon, as from 20.2.30.
No. 1547 Pte. I. G. Allison

Machine Gun Troop, as from 28.2.30.
No. 1548 Pte. L. B. Holmes, N 4 Platoon, as from 4.3.30.
No. 1549 Pte. W. E. Hunt, N 4 Platoon, as from 4.3.30.
No. 1550 Pte. R. G. U. Mead, N 2 Platoon, as from 18.3.30.

Lieut. A. H. Penn, No. 1 Platoon
 from 11.3.80 to 31.1.31.
 No. 1475 Bdm. R. A. Cresto
 Corps Band, from 11.3.80 to 11.4.31.
 (Sgd.) R. C. STRACHEY,
 Captain,
 Acting Adjutant, H.F.V.D. Corps

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MISHIMA MARU	Friday	4th April	
SIBERIA MARU	Saturday	19th April	
LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez.			
KAMO MARU	Saturday	22nd March	
KATORI MARU	Saturday	5th April	
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.			
TANGI MARU	Wednesday	26th March	
AKI MARU	Wednesday	23rd April	
MANILA			
TENYO MARU	Wednesday	26th March at 4 p.m.	
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.	Thursday	27th March	
TOTTORI MARU	Thursday	27th March	
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.			
GINYO MARU	Saturday	5th April	
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.			
KANAGAWA MARU	Saturday	5th April	
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.			
KAKO MARU	Friday	28th March	
TOBA MARU	Thursday	3rd April	
LISBON MARU	Wednesday	16th April	
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Constantinople, Genoa.	Monday	14th April	
LIMA MARU	Monday	14th April	
CAICUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Tuesday	29th March	
AKITA MARU	Tuesday	29th March	
SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA.			
AKI MARU (Nagasaki direct)	Friday	21st March	
BENGAL MARU	Saturday	22nd March	
HAKONE MARU	Monday	31st March	
† Cargo only.			

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SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP—Via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.			
ALASKA MARU	Monday	21st April	
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.			
LAPLATA MARU	Friday	21st March	
BUENOS AIRES MARU	Friday	25th April	
BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.			
MEIGEN MARU	Saturday	22nd March	
SHUNKEI MARU	Thursday	3rd April	
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.			
CANADA MARU	Monday	31st March	
CAICUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Friday	4th April	
TACOMA MARU	Friday	4th April	
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports from Shanghai.			
ARIZONA MARU (from S'hai)	Tuesday	15th April	
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	Monday	7th April	
MADRAS MARU	Monday	7th April	
HAIPHONG—Via Hoihow & Pakhoi.	Friday	4th April	
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.	Friday	4th April	
HAVER MARU	Friday	4th April	
JAPAN PORTS			
SEATTLE MARU	Saturday	22nd March	
INDUS MARU (via Amoy)	Thursday	27th March	
KEELUNG—Via Swatow & Amoy.	Sunday	30th March, Noon.	
HOZAN MARU	Sunday	23rd March, Noon.	
CANTON MARU	Sunday	30th March, Noon.	
TAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY.	Thursday	27th March, 10 a.m.	
DELI MARU	Thursday	27th March, 10 a.m.	
TAKAO & KEELUNG.	Thursday	10th April	
BATAVIA MARU	Thursday	10th April	

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HULUTAO HARBOUR

Ground for Protests by British & Japanese

UNPAID LOANS

A variety of financial complications are foreseen as the result of the contract signed by the Chinese Government at Nanking and Mukden for the construction of an ice-free harbour at Hulutao, on the extreme southern coast of Manchuria, at a cost of G.\$6,400,000. The contract, it will be recalled, has been let to the Netherlands Harbour Works Company.

Completion of the harbour within the specified period of five years would give the Chinese their only real harbour in the north not dominated by foreign interests. At Tientsin, a number of countries have concessions, and Dairen is owned by the Japanese on territory held under long lease.

Possible protests are likely to come from Japan and Great Britain, it is believed in diplomatic circles.

The Japanese have treaties providing that the Chinese shall not build railways which will imperil the Japanese South Manchuria Railway.

The National Government, however, has persistently declared that these treaties are no longer valid having been concluded with defunct Governments.

The British Case

The British protest, if it is made, will be upon an entirely different basis. The Dutch loan providing the money for the harbour is secured upon the surplus earnings of the Peking-Mukden Railway.

Mr. H. G. Woodhead, editor of the "Peking and Tientsin Times" and of the "China Year Book," points out that several British loans made to this railway have been in arrears for years, and that the issuance of a new loan while old loans remain unpaid is morally indefensible.

Mr. Woodhead estimates the British loans to the Peking-Mukden Railway which are in default at a total of \$14,500,000 at the present rate of exchange.

Loans in Default

These are the Peking-Mukden double-track loan, in default since September, 1925; the Fengcheng railway loan, in default since February, 1926; and the Peking-Mukden double-track loan, in default since April, 1925. Two of these loans, Mr. Woodhead declares, should have been completely paid off two years ago.

The Chinese, however, particularly the Mukden authorities, are very anxious to build the harbour at Hulutao, and it seems quite possible that they will proceed in spite of protests. They have been negotiating for more than a year with various foreign companies to obtain the money for this purpose.

The Chinese point of view is that an all-Chinese harbour in Manchuria is necessary to compete with the Japanese. They wish a Chinese outlet for the Chinese railway system in Manchuria, and believe they can seriously compete with Dairen when the harbour is completed. Hulutao was selected as a fine location for a modern harbour as long ago as 1910, when work was begun under the Manchus. The revolution suspended work, after a branch railway had been constructed, seawall and breakwater had been completed, and many permanent buildings erected. This work was abandoned and is now useless.

SHIPPING SECTION

Foreign engineers who were consulted by the Manchurian authorities agree that Hulutao harbour is superior in many ways to Dairen, and that, if enough money is spent on construction, the Chinese will be able to divert much traffic from the Japanese controlled port.

COOKING CHESTS

Instruction of Naval Ratings

An accident recently occurred to a Naval cook rating who was severely scalded when opening a steam cooking chest. It appears that the man attempted to open the chest without taking the precaution of first draining it; consequently there was a rush of steam and water from the door of the chest when it was opened. Also, it seems evident that the excess of steam pressure above 5 lb. must have contributed to the force of expulsion of the steam and water on opening the door.

In future arrangements will be made whereby cook ratings will receive instruction in the manipulation of these cooking chests and as to the danger involved in cooking at any excess of steam pressure.

OVERLOADING

Proposed International Load Line

London, Yesterday.

Stricter penalties for overloading ships are urged in a report of the Merchant Shipping Advisory Committee which points out that the present penalty of one hundred pounds sterling is sometimes considerably less than the extra freight gained through overloading. It is further suggested that a master convicted for overloading should be liable to have his certificate cancelled or suspended.

The International Conference of Shipowners at London, after conferring three days, unanimously agreed to a resolution in favour of the establishment of an international load line. The delegates are informing their respective Governments.—Reuter.

HAMBURG SOUTH AMERICA LINE

The Hamburg South American Line have just placed an order for further two motor-vessels of the popular "Monte" class, the first of which is to take her place in the regular service from Hamburg and Boulogne to South America at the end of the year. The second ship will follow her closely, and will also be placed on the South American route along with the Monte Sarmiento and Monte Olivia.

During the summer months the new motor-vessels will be engaged in pleasure cruises to the Mediterranean and to Norway. The new ships will be a repetition of the Monte Sarmiento and Monte Olivia in their essential features, and will carry exclusively third-class passengers in comfortable cabins and tastefully decorated and furnished public rooms. All the latest improvements will be embodied in the construction of these ships.

SALE OF LEYLAND LINERS

The Leyland Line have just disposed of their steamers Caledonian and Antillian through Messrs. C. W. Kellock and Co., shipping auctioneers, of Liverpool and London. The former has been sold to Dutch ship-breakers, and the latter to Messrs. T. W. Ward and Co., of Sheffield, and the vessels will shortly leave the Mersey to be broken up. It is understood that the aggregate price secured for both steamers is in the neighbourhood of £20,000.

The Caledonian is a steel screw steamer of 4,998 tons gross register, 3,210 net register, built by the Caledon Shipbuilding Co., Dundee, in 1900.

The Antillian is a steel screw steamer of 5,624 tons gross register, and 3,679 net register, built by Messrs. Caird and Co., Ltd., Greenock, in 1898.

COAL BUNKERS AT FOREIGN PORTS

Shipowners have now received the current prices of bunker coals from the various coal contractors and foreign coaling agents. In the case of Continental and Mediterranean ports there is practically a general rise in the quoted prices as compared with a month ago. As regards the North American Gulf and West Indian ports the prices on the average are slightly lower, whilst those of Australia remain practically unaltered. Welsh coals at South American ports show an average rise of about 5d. to 1s. per ton, compared with the prices of a month or so ago.

T.S.S. WUHU

New Shanghai-Ichang Steamer Launched

HOLD 950 PASSENGERS

The T.S.S. Wuhu, built by the Taikoo Dockyard and Engineering Co., was launched at Taikoo Dockyard yesterday.

This vessel, the dimensions of which are 295 feet over-all in length, 48 feet extreme beam over fender, and 21 feet depth to upper deck, has been specially designed to meet the Company's requirements for service between Shanghai and Ichang. She has a straight stem and rounded stern, twin balanced rudders, and one steel mast, two continuous decks, viz.:—main and upper, with a boat deck above the after part of the upper deck, and a roof deck over the boat deck. Forward of the mast is a bridge deck, upper bridge deck and navigating bridge deck. Two cargo holds forward also a compartment adaptable for carrying either oil in bulk or general cargo, one cargo hold is fitted aft. Two steel derricks for 7 tons lifts and 1 for 30 tons lift have been arranged. Accommodation is arranged for 44 saloon passengers in two berth rooms, 40 first class passengers in 4 berth rooms and 150 steerage passengers. Captain, Officers and Engineers are accommodated in houses forward of foremast.

The fittings and finish of the passengers' rooms are in the C.N. Co.'s usual good taste and equal to any steamer on the Yangtze for comfort.

Machinery consists of 2 sets each 4 cylinders balanced triple expansion engines supplied by steam from two Babcock & Wilcox boilers arranged for coal burning, working pressure being 200 lbs. The engines have been constructed by the Taikoo Dockyard. A speed of over 12 knots is anticipated on a light draft of about 7 feet and over 11½ knots loaded.

WARSHIPS IN PORT

British warships in port this morning were:—
In Basin of R.N. Dockyard: Tamar, Bridgewater, Sandwich, Ironclads, Herald.
North Arm: Sepey.
West Wall: Suffolk.
In Dock: Math.
No. 7 Buoy: Scarpia.
No. 8 Buoy: Seamew.
Foreign men-o'-war in port were:—
Portuguese Cruiser Adamastor.
U.S. gunboat Mindanao.
Chinese Gunboat Kien Yu.

Messrs. Hawthorn, Leslie and Co., Ltd., have just completed at their Hebburn shipyard H.M. torpedo boat destroyer Active, constructed to the order of the British Admiralty, and which was provided for in the 1927-28 naval programme. The official inspection of the Active was carried out satisfactorily, and the completion trial and handing over of the vessel took place in mail week.

Considerable damage by fire is reported to the cargo in Nos. 1 and 2 holds of the German steamer Arion, which is at Antwerp, from Bremen, with jute, ex the German steamer Wachtels, on board. The outbreak was extinguished with the aid of the fire brigade. The Arion is a vessel of 2,297 tons gross, built in 1927, and owned at Bremen by the Dampfs. Ges. Neptun.

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EMPRESS OF ASIA	Apr. 30	May 3	May 6	May 8	May 17
EMPRESS OF CANADA	May 15	May 18	May 20	May 22	May 30
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 12	June 21
EMPRESS OF ASIA	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 3	July 12
EMPRESS OF CANADA	July 10	July 13	July 15	July 17	July 25
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	July 23	July 26	July 29	July 31	Aug. 9
EMPRESS OF JAPAN	Aug. 7	Aug. 10	Aug. 12	Aug. 14	Aug. 22
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Aug. 20	Aug. 23	Aug. 26	Aug. 28	Sept. 6
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Sept. 4	Sept. 7	Sept. 9	Sept. 11	Sept. 19
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Sept. 17	Sept. 20	Sept. 23	Sept. 25	Oct. 4
EMPRESS OF JAPAN	Oct. 2	Oct. 5	Oct. 7	Oct. 9	Oct. 17
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Oct. 15	Oct. 18	Oct. 21	Oct. 23	Nov. 1
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RAJPUTANA	16,568	26th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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RAJPUTANA	16,568	28th Mar.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SHIRALA	7,841	5th Apr.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
BELTANA	—	6th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHAYBER	9,114	8th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKIWA	7,988	8th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
NELLORE	6,853	8th Apr.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
KASHGAR	9,005	11th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MANVIA	10,948	25th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TILAWA	10,000	28th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
LAHORE	5,304	5th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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tralia.

SOVIET INVASION

Refusal to Withdraw from Manchuli

Canton, Yesterday.

Soviet troops, who invaded Man-
chuli on March 13, have refused to
withdraw, though a strong protest
has been lodged by the Chinese
authorities with the Russian Con-
sul General at Harbin.—Canton
News Agency.

Sir Lionel Lawson Faudel Faudel-
Phillips has been appointed a
trustee of the Wallace Collection in
the place of Mr. J. Bowyer Nichols,
who has resigned, and Mr. Evan
Charteris, K.C., in the place of the
late Viscount Esher.

The Home Secretary has dismis-
sed the appeal of the three Leicester
policemen who were asked to resign
by the Watch Committee following
alleged incidents in an omnibus
after a football match, and has
ordered them to pay their own costs.

Two buildings at Elmwood Mills,
Camp Road, Leeds, which were
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Tsien via S'ow & S'hai	KWANGSANG	Wed., 2nd Apr. at 7 a.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	KWANGSANG	Tues., 25th Mar. at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	KUMSANG	Thurs., 3rd Apr. at 3 p.m.
Osaka via Moji & Kobe	HOSANG	Wed., 26th Mar. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kobe	NAMSANG	Tues., 8th Apr. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kobe	KUTSANG	Fri., 18th Apr. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai	SUISANG	Fri., 25th Apr. at 7 a.m.
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Sun., 23rd Mar. at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Sat., 29th Mar. at Noon
Tsien via S'ow & Fochow	CHEONGSANG	Sun., 23rd Mar. at 7 a.m.
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years. He served in Malaya from
the commencement of his career,
holding various appointments, wide-
ly differing from each other."

"The fund of useful information
he has gathered during the past
33 years could not but render his
advice and guidance of great
value, and while we are sorry to
lose so tactful a friend, and so ex-
perienced an official, we know that
his abilities have been recognised,
and it is gratifying to know that
his promotion to the Governorship
of Hong Kong adds to the number
of Malayan officials who have been
selected to fill high appointments
in other parts of the British Em-
pire." (Applause.)

Interchange of Officers

The High Commissioner (Sir
Cecil Clementi) said:

"I wish to associate myself very
cordially with what has just been
said about the services of Sir
William Peel to Malaya, and I
wish also to say how pleased I
am that he has been chosen to
succeed me as Governor of Hong
Kong. The Cadet Service of Hong
Kong has now given two Governors
to the Straits Settlements, and I
am very glad indeed that the
Cadet Service of Malaya will now
in its turn supply Hong Kong
with a Governor."

"It is by such interchange of
Government officers that the prob-
lems of the various parts of the
British Empire get better under-
stood, and politics advantageous
to the Colonial Administration as
a whole can thereby often be fac-
ilitated."

"The knowledge of Chinese prob-
lems in Malaya which Sir Wil-
liam Peel takes with him to Hong
Kong cannot fail to be of great
assistance to that Colony, just as
the knowledge of Chinese problems
in Hong Kong which I have
brought with me to this country
has already been of much service
to me in dealing with Malayan
affairs. I join you in con-
gratulating Sir William Peel and in
wishing him all possible success."

UNUSUAL CRIME

Governor Kills Police Sergeant

A special commission comprising
Rajapurri Circle's Public Prosecutor,
the Chief Judge and the Assis-
tant to the Lord Lieutenant has
been appointed at Bangkok to make
an inquiry into an unusual incident
on February 11, in which the
governor of Changyad, Samudr
Songgram, Phra Rajayati Raksha,
shot to death a sergeant of the
gendarmerie.

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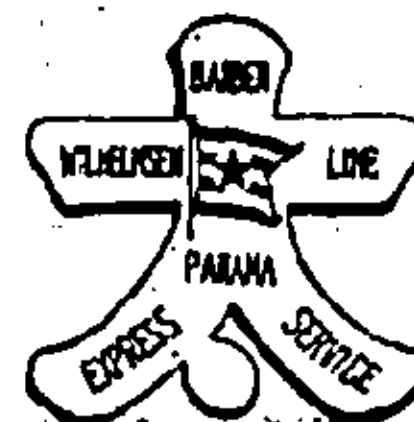
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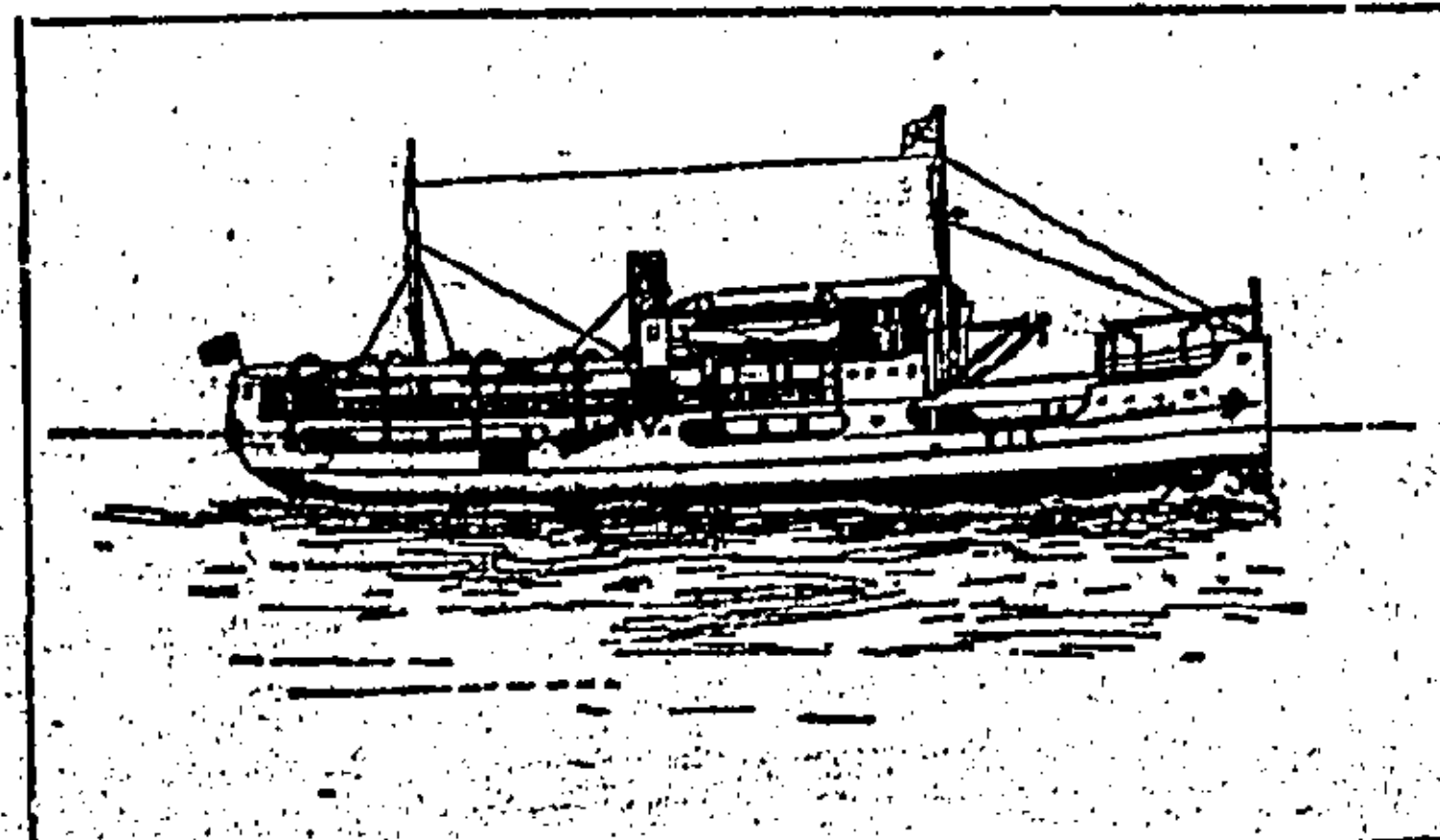
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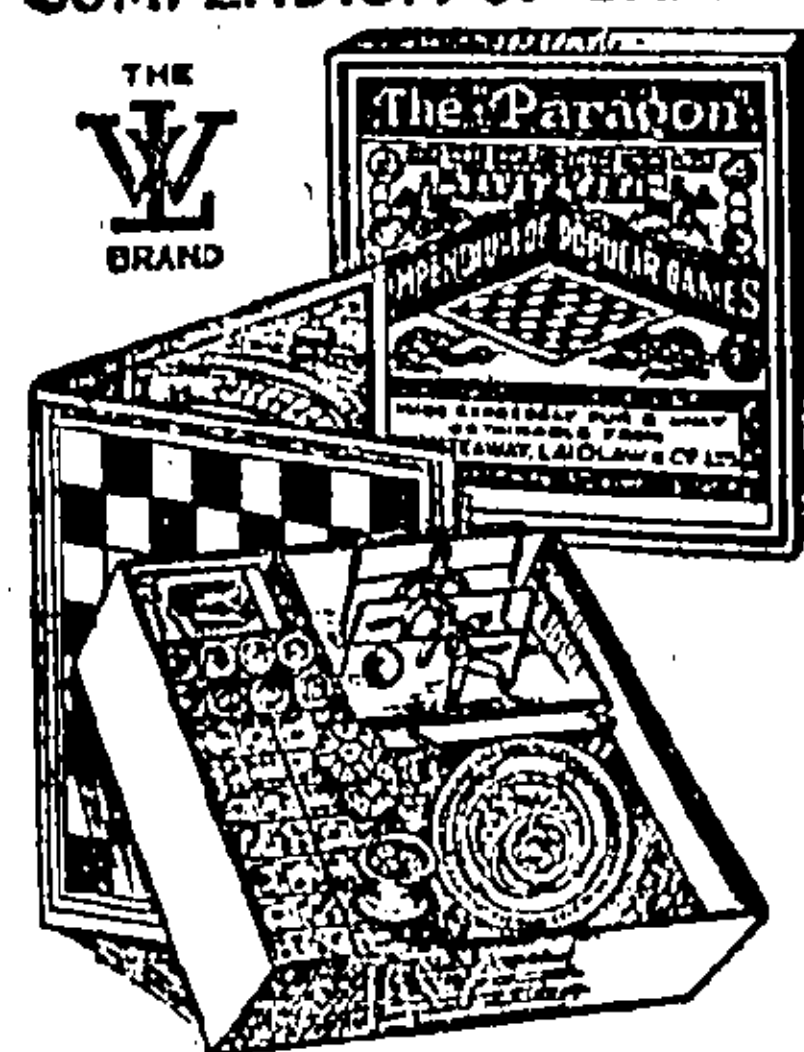
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WHAT'S WRONG WITH CHINA?

China is once again threatened with civil war and the latest reports indicate that Yen Hsi-shan really means business this time. If the sources of information are to be relied upon, he intends to raise a loan of twenty million dollars from the United States, France and Belgium. With this vast sum at his disposal he will prepare an intensive campaign against President Chiang Kai-shek which, though it may not be successful, will cost the National Government millions of dollars to resist and, in the process of hostilities, will lay waste large areas and upset the economic progress of the country, which has for long been retarded by these internecine disturbances.

Yen Hsi-shan may not be exactly an enemy to his own country, but, like all pretenders to the highest office of the State, he imagines that the Chinese people are crying for his leadership. As a matter of cold fact, there are still many wholeheartedly behind Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, who has shown wisdom and determination in a very trying period of office. By his stand during the rebellions of the so-called "Ironsides," the President has gained in prestige in the eyes of his countrymen. Like his counter-part, Signor Mussolini, President Chiang Kai-shek has the interests of China at heart and is striving in the face of

gargantuan odds to build up the economic and educational life of the country. He may be credited with seeing that the future of China's greatness lies with the amelioration of the evils which for centuries have debarrated the agricultural masses from rising from poverty and lethargy to that state of communal well-being which is essential for the prosperity of any civilised race.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has often been accused of being anti-British and there are those who would impute several unpleasant incidents to his direct influence. There can be little doubt that he has worked steadfastly for the benefit of his countrymen, even when such efforts proved of immediate disadvantage to the other Powers resident in China. But to be sincere a man must often commit actions which doom him to unpopularity, even though he redeem them later by friendly overtures. The President should realise, however, that the economic prosperity of China is intimately bound up with that of the Western Powers, in whose hands is the greater part of the world's trade. He may yet emerge from the natural race-consciousness of the Chinese to the wider outlook which modern conditions have made an essential part of an educated man's character.

Yen Hsi-shan, who has now styled himself Commander-in-Chief of the Allied forces, and is playing the part of a Cromwell in Peking, has none of this wide outlook. He fails to realise that China is no longer a mediaeval community living secluded behind the Great Wall, and that it is time that it should take its place among the civilised countries of the world. Yen has none of the requirements or the character which are the fundamental needs of a ruler of so vast a country as China, and he seems unable to perceive that the war-lust of an adventurer can no longer move the peoples of this great, still stumbling nation. If only he were to cultivate some small sense of patriotism and assist, instead of hindering, the mighty task of reorganisation and development, he might indeed, in the course of time be able to lay claim to a page in history as one of the great men of the new China. At the moment, he is not only helping to keep China back in the deplorable condition from which she is struggling to emerge; he is unconsciously, perhaps, but definitely, leading her to commit national suicide.

News in Brief

For the theft of a singlet, a Chinese was at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day sentenced to one month's jail.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government will officially open St. Stephen's College new buildings at Stanley on Tuesday afternoon.

A Chinese was at the Kowloon Police Court to-day fined \$25 or three weeks' jail for stealing four pine trees from a plantation at the hillside near the Laichikok jail.

For the theft of a chicken a Chinese was at Kowloon Magistracy this morning sentenced to three months' hard labour. Previous connections were proved against him.

A Chinese, who was seen to come out of the back of a house in Laichikok Road with a cooking pot, was arrested. On his appearance before Mr. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day he was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

At the Kowloon Police Court to-day two Chinese were sentenced to six months' hard labour each for stealing a beam of wood from Portland Street and Taikoktsui. Both had previous convictions for larceny.

An enjoyable and largely attended whist drive was held at the Police Recreation Club, Happy Valley, last evening. Prizes were awarded as follows:—Ladies: 1st, Mrs. Gull; 2nd, Mrs. Gendinings; 3rd, Mrs. Russell; Men: 1st, Mr. Burton; 2nd, Mr. Hunter; 3rd, Mr. Webby.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Benevolent Society acknowledges with grateful thanks through the *China Mail*: The sum of \$75 from a group of Dutch subscribers, contributed through the intermediary of the Dutch Consul-General; two anonymous subscriptions of \$12 and \$5, respectively, which have been paid into the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank to the credit of the Society; and a sum of \$10 received through the post.

MOTOR MISHAPS.

Printing Manager Taken to Hospital

LACERATED LEG

Mr. M. N. Bux, manager of the Victoria Printing Press, was injured in an accident which occurred near East Point Terrace at Causeway Bay, at 7.30 o'clock last night.

Mr. Bux was riding on a motorcycle combination driven by Mr. T. C. Jex, when it came into collision with a tramcar. Mr. Bux received a lacerated leg and had to be taken to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

Chinese Lady Hurt

At about 2 p.m. yesterday a motor accident occurred at the junction of Ship Street and Praya East, causing serious injuries to a Chinese lady. A small Austin 7, Car No. 1359, was being driven by Mr. Wong Kwing-cheung along Praya East in a westerly direction. A lorry came out from Ship Street and collided with the car. The latter's windscreen was smashed and the lady sitting beside Mr. Wong was cut on the head by the flying splinters. She was taken to hospital.

MR. PEPYS IN HONG KONG

This day betimes to the Club where I find Stewart Goss, the chirurgeon, and Mr. Hannibal over a morning posset. And, mighty civil, they do ask me if I desire to see my play amaking. So, at six of the clock, I to the Play House to my very great content, where I do meet the actors who play the parts. And some I do have acquaintance with before, of whom Mistress Fay, mighty pretty as Mistress Pepys, be one. And I kiss her hand and did wish her husband had not been there, for I would fain have kissed her cheek, so daintily she act. I find my old acquaintance Mr. Marcel do play King Charles, which shall be well, I think, as he hath a royal presence and a merry laugh. There too was Mr. Finter, who I do remember to be in one of the King's ships and he, I learn do play Pelling the potticary. And I find him a mighty civil young man, who buy me of strong waters. As we drink, he tell me many curious stories, Lann, 13 Weltevreden, Java, D.E.I., and Lord! what strange things these sailors do. Yet I am in doubt something of his verity. Then M.S.P.C. Hoof; Mr. Frederico come Mr. Ascherson who, I hear, do be a lieutenant in the frigate Suffolk. Though why they call him Torps I know not for he is in no manner torpid, but as merry a fellow as ever did pay for a glass for me. But Lord! to hear him speaking French so apt in the part of Mr. Humphrey. And then they present me to Mistress Howard, who do play Mistress Howard Knight, above all, that ever I see, honest, noble, mighty comfortable. In my And Mistress Chubb, as Mistress mind that Mr. Hannibal and all will Pierce did much delight me in the do the piece right well. And so to supper scene. There too I found

AND SO TO BED

Production by the A.D.C. To-morrow

A STRONG CAST

The A.D.C. production of "And So To Bed" opens at the Theatre Royal to-morrow night at 9.15 punctually, when the company will be honoured with the presence of H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, H.E. the General, and the Commodore. Repeat performances will be given on the 25th, 27th, 28th and 29th at 9.15 p.m., with a matinee on the 26th at 4.30 p.m. A very strong cast is playing and no trouble or expense has been spared on the scenery and dresses. The booking up to date is excellent but, in view of the play selected and the fact that this is the only production of the A.D.C. this season, it is hoped that there will be full houses at every performance. The matinee on Wednesday 26th is rather in the nature of an experiment and it is hoped that it will be justified. It has been specially arranged for the benefit of people residing in outlying districts. University students and those who went to see the show but dislike late hours.

Those Behind the Scenes. Possibly few of our readers realise to the full the arduous nature of the work entailed in a production of this magnitude. The company have now been rehearsing for over five weeks, with two calls each week day and also on Sunday afternoons so far as the producer and the principals are concerned. It is probable also that little is known of the hard work put in by the people running the back of the stage. Their names appear on the programme, but there is no glamour attached to their job nor do they get the reward of applause from a crowded house. A few words about them may not be out of place.

The sets which are both large and lavish have been designed and built under the supervision of Mr. W. A. Cornell, A.R.I.B.A., and he has surpassed himself in Act II, which is a genuine reproduction of a room of the period of Louis Quatorze.

The magnificent costumes have been designed and made entirely locally under the direction of Mrs. W. A. Hannibal and Mrs. M. Slade. The loving care with which they have done their work will be realised when it is stated that these two ladies built a small model stage with dummy figures to represent the players. Innumerable colours and combinations of colours were tried again and again until the required harmony was obtained.

Charming Incidental Music. The very charming incidental music in the play has been arranged and rehearsed by Mr. Frederick Mason, A.R.C.O., the Cathedral organist.

The stage managers, Messrs. Marcel and Grossman, have a very heavy task before them shifting the big sets in the comparatively short intervals and, if the weather gets any hotter, it will be a very warm one. The lighting is in the capable hands of Mr. R. A. Starling and the prompting will be done by the indefatigable Mr. D. W. Morley. Mr. E. S. C. Brooks is responsible for the numerous properties required in the play, many of which have been most difficult to obtain. The furniture used has all been specially made by Messrs. Lane Crawford Ltd., under the skilled direction of Mr. H. E. Scriven. The wigs have come direct from Clarkson's and are being dressed every day during the run by Mr. Alexander of the Institut de Beauté.

"Poor Wretch". There remains the producer, "poor wretch," the man who is responsible for everything behind the curtain. Producers are men of moods, one day exalted up to the skies and the next in the lowest depths of depression: one day going so far as to say "that is not too bad" and the next day tearing their hair and gnashing their teeth, but their reward comes with a successful first night and full houses.

The play being rather a long one, the curtain will rise each night very punctually at 9.15 and, as the action of the play commences immediately, it is hoped that ticket holders will arrive in time.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The following forthcoming weddings are announced:—Mr. William Egbert Kroesen, Nieuwe Tamarinde, Lann, 13 Weltevreden, Java, D.E.I., to Miss Elisabeth Cornelia van Ry, en route to Hong Kong on board the M.S.P.C. Hoof; Mr. Frederico Augusto Castro, No. 7, Tin Lok do be a lieutenant in the frigate Suffolk. Though why they call him Torps I know not for he is in no manner torpid, but as merry a fellow as ever did pay for a glass for me. But Lord! to hear him speaking French so apt in the part of Mr. Humphrey. And then they present me to Mistress Howard, who do play Mistress Howard Knight, above all, that ever I see, honest, noble, mighty comfortable. In my And Mistress Chubb, as Mistress mind that Mr. Hannibal and all will Pierce did much delight me in the do the piece right well. And so to supper scene. There too I found

some mighty pretty girls who play the maida parts, but, to my vexation, who should come in but my wife, poor wretch; and I have no more discourse with the players. So Knight, above all, that ever I see, honest, noble, mighty comfortable. In my And Mistress Chubb, as Mistress mind that Mr. Hannibal and all will Pierce did much delight me in the do the piece right well. And so to supper scene. There too I found

BALLAD CONCERT

Delightful Hour at the Helena May

TRIBUTE TO MRS. WYATT

One is grateful to the Helena May Institute for the series of delightful little musicals they have given during the winter. Last night's ballad concert was meant to be the last of the series, but it is pleasing to note that an extra concert, organised by Mr. Harry Ore, will be given on April 3.

The programme opened with the "Flower Duet" from Madame Butterfly, sung by Mrs. Womack and Mrs. Sanger. Whilst this charming, if rather florid piece was very well sung and enthusiastically received, one must, at the risk of being considered ungallant, express the opinion that both ladies were heard to better advantage in their respective solo items, given later.

Mrs. Womack's singing of "Air de Lia" (from L'Enfant Prodigue—Debussy) showed considerable study, and was given in a most polished and confident manner. The air demands considerable vocal flexibility, and was received with well-deserved applause. Mrs. Womack further delighted her hearers with her encore, "The Lass with the Delicate Air," which was most artistically sung.

Mrs. Sanger gave two little songs by Debussy, which suited her voice excellently, being very tenderly and sympathetically sung.

Earlier in the programme, Mrs. George Tinson had given "O Mistress Mine" (Roger Quilter), which also evoked an encore.

Mr. R. A. Green, the possessor of a vigorous and well-rounded voice, and a pleasing presence, followed with "In Summer Time on Eredon," which was eminently successful, as was his subsequent encore. In the finale, he and Mrs. Tinson sang Tosti's "Venetian Boat Song" duet, with admirable regard for its delightful hit and harmony.

Mrs. K. V. B. Bousfield sat at the piano and sang "On the Road to Tokyo" (Amy Woodforde-Pinden), which was very well received. Mrs. Bousfield appeared to be a shade nervous to begin with, but quickly gathered composure.

In the instrumental item, a sonata for violin and piano (Francois Veracini) played by Miss Acheson and Mr. F. Mason, the lady seemed a little uncertain in the first movement, but played the rest excellently, the Allegro vivace movement being played with fine spirit.

Mrs. A. R. H. Phillips and Mr. F. Mason played the various accompaniments in a most accomplished and unselfish manner.

There was a pleasant little interlude during the concert, when a basket of flowers was presented to Mrs. Wyatt, in recognition of her services on the Social Committee. Mr. Mason was prevailed upon to make the presentation, after which Mrs. Wyatt, in a neat little speech, thanked the ladies who had so ably and unsparringly assisted her on the Committee.

RANDOM REFLECTIONS

FROM THE EXPURGATED DIARY OF TUCK SUN PAO

Hong Kong, Yesterday. My see now Hong Kong side have plenty Chinese girls. They all makee go to cinema, dancing, and all thing do all same men. My askee my old friend, Ah Wong, how fashion Chinese girls now not all same before. Ah Wong, he have go school in America and he too much savvy English. He talkee me that belong He-man-si-pa-shun.

Now before three months my makee see a good English doctor. He talkee me that my belong too much di-si-pation, and that my have cathee the consti-pa-shun. He say my must take a big dose pur-ga-shun, and then my can get a good he-man-si-pa-shun. Now savvy why Chinese girls are all same that.

One big hotel manager talkee me Chinese girls belong very good dancer. Sure my talkee him. They stop Hong Kong side and Hong Kong foot makee them very good dancer.

My talkee you more to-morrow.

Ten Years Ago

[From the "China Mail" March 21, 1920.]

To-day's dollar is worth 5/1½d.

Members of the General Committee of the Peace Celebration and War Memorial met at the City Hall last night for the purpose of considering the proposal to erect a monument in commemoration of the war on a suitable site.

After referring to the various schemes which had been rejected and how they eventually had decided to erect a Monument on a site opposite the Law Courts, the Hon. Mr. Johnstone said that as far as he knew everyone was in favour of the proposal. There was, however, one organ in Hong Kong who is criticising the project. While he welcomed criticisms if they were instructive and helpful, he must look upon the adverse comment of the *Journal* as "gratuitous insult."

CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL

Annual Distribution of Prizes

SPEECH BY DEPUTY GOVERNOR

"It is far better to try without succeeding than to succeed without trying," declared His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.) when he distributed the prizes at the Central British School annual speech day, held in St. Andrew's Church Hall yesterday afternoon.

The 2nd Kowloon Girl Guides belonging to the school, formed a Guard of Honour outside the hall for H.E., the O.A.G., who was accompanied by Mr. John Barrow (Private Secretary), and met at the entrance by the head master, Mr. G. Franklin Nightingale.

His Excellency the G.O.C. (Major General J. W. Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.) accompanied by his staff of officers and A.D.C., was on the platform, together with the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Lt.-Col. W. F. Christian, D.S.O., R.A., Mr. E. Ralphs, Mr. A. E. Wood, Mr. G. P. de Martin, Mr. Hugh R. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. R. E. Lindsell, the Rev. W. Walton Rogers, the Rev. J. Horace Johnston, and the Rev. Frank Short of the Union Church.

The hall was crowded to its utmost capacity with parents, friends and pupils.

REPORT FOR 1929

Attendance

The head master in his annual report, said:

The School was opened on 192 days. The maximum number on the roll was 194—173 in 1928—the average attendance during the whole year being 141—131 in 1928. The attendance was generally good in spite of an epidemic of chicken-pox and other infectious diseases.

Staff

During the year Mrs. Key, Mrs. Barker and Mrs. Boas resigned; the Rev. G. E. S. Updell left the Colony on home leave at the end of April, and Mrs. Wyatt was re-appointed in the same month.

Visitors

The School was visited by the Director of Education, the Inspectors of English Schools, members of the Board of Education, the medical officer of schools, Educationalists from Manila and the head mistresses of the Junior British Schools.

Library

Our thanks are due to old pupils and others who have contributed to our library; to Captain Muir, who so generously continued to send us each month copies of the National Geographic Magazine; and to Mr. Wylie for photographs of current world events.

Old Pupils' Association

The Association is strong, the number of members is increasing, and keen interest has been taken in tennis, cricket and hockey, many matches having been played with local teams and teams at Macao.

Girl Guides

The School Patrols are strong in numbers and in enthusiasm. Miss Buckwell, through sickness, and Miss Owen Hughes, were absent during a part of the year, and their work was carried on by Miss Honey and Miss Moses, to whom the thanks of all are due for maintaining the high state of efficiency of the Patrols.

Games and Sports

The annual sports, organised by Mr. Rowell, were held in March, great keenness and enthusiasm being shown. Blue House for the second year in succession won the Inter-House Cup.

University Examinations

The results of the University examinations this year were good. We entered two candidates for the Matriculation Examination of the University of London and in June we received the news that E. L. Hayes had been successful in passing. In the examinations of the University of Hong Kong, held in November, six candidates of the Sixth Form passed, all with distinction in English, three of whom were awarded the Matriculation and three the Senior Local Certificate. The Montargis Senior French prize was again won. In the Fifth Form six candidates passed the Junior Local Examination.

Annual School Examination
The annual examination of Forms 4-1 produced very satisfactory results, 71 per cent. of the candidates gaining promotion to higher forms. I wish again to emphasise that we demand a high standard in all candidates, who must obtain 60 per cent. of the aggregate examination marks before being deemed eligible for promotion. At home it is the dream—not yet realised—of educational authorities to bring advanced or secondary education within the reach of all boys and girls and not merely of the selected ones and clever ones. It is doubtful however whether all boys and girls are capable of reaching the

benefits of this advanced education when offered to them, and all who are competent to form an opinion realise the difficulties confronting its advocates. At a recent examination for admission to a certain secondary school at Home 308 children from elementary schools competed for 36 free places. The examiners were forced to lower the standard of marks to 34 per cent., for only six of the children were really fitted for secondary education.

In this Colony, however, we have progressed further, for provision is made at the Central British School, for the higher education of all British boys and girls.

Value of Character

It is not merely knowledge but the character acquired at his school that makes a boy useful when he has taken his place in the world outside the school. For character, after all, is of greater value in the world to-day than greatness, since it is nobility of purpose and loftiness of aim that counts in the affairs of mankind. The habits of system, order, punctuality, temperance, self-reliance and perseverance, fostered during his school career, may be the salvation of a boy in after life. They will teach him not to drift with circumstances and not to trust entirely to external sources of pleasure but to manufacture his joy from his own resources; to replace worried thoughts with thoughts of trust and faith; to widen his field of vision and broaden his sphere of interest; to practise the art of minimising difficulties and not to discard all intellectual pursuits on leaving school.

We must not imagine that the amount of brains a person has is the only thing that matters, for the manner in which one uses his supply is almost as important. A person inheriting a good mentality has nothing to be elated over, for it is not his sole credit that he has the brains. His responsibility comes in using this gift to the fullest extent—not being merely an average student when he can lead the class; not being content with an average achievement when there are the makings of excellence within him.

Royal Drawing Society

Excellent results were obtained at the Annual Examination in the various Divisions held in June, the general report of the Examination being "very creditable." At the annual exhibition held in the Guildhall Art Gallery, London, in April, 1929, some of the work sent by pupils of the Central British School was commended and publicly exhibited.

R. Woolley obtained a first class award for illustrations and M. Whitley, a first class award for landscapes, water colours, the work of both being shown on the overseas screen at the exhibition. An original drawing from memory by J. Miller, Form 3, was reproduced in the Book of Reproductions published by the Royal Drawing Society each year. Miss Hall is to be congratulated on this recognition of the work of her pupils. The work done in art at this school proves, as I have always believed, that art is not a thing for the experts only, but that nearly all boys and girls have some art in them.

In conclusion, I thank all the donors of prizes, the staff for their enthusiastic co-operation and support throughout the year, and the Vicar of St. Andrew's Church who so kindly gave us permission to use the Church hall on this occasion, the school hall being too small to accommodate our present members. I wish to express you, Sir, our deep appreciation of the honour you have conferred on Central British School by coming here this evening to distribute the prizes and to inspire us to carry on, to the utmost of our power, the important work of the education of British children in this Colony.

Hon. Mr. Southern's Speech

His Excellency said:—
Mr. Nightingale, Your Excellency, Ladies and Gentlemen, and pupils of the Central British School—We have listened to the head master's interesting report, and I hope you will all remember what he has said about the importance of character; for those of you who chance to have read my remarks at some of the other schools at which I have lately been distributing prizes, will know how important I consider that aspect of school life

to be. I do not wish to repeat the same things over and over again, so I will only say that I entirely agree with your head master's views and urge you to take them to heart. I congratulate the head master and his staff on his most encouraging report and I must not forget to congratulate you boys and girls as well, for after all without your help your head master and his colleagues can make little progress. They show the way, and they evidently show it well, but you have got to do your part and back them up in work and play alike. You are our principal British School in this British Colony of Hong Kong. I should indeed have been surprised to hear of anything but a good record, but I want to impress on you the paramount importance of showing what a British school should be and is. You should regard yourselves as a model for all the other schools of the Colony to look up to and emulate. Not that I want you to "put on side" if your head master will forgive my slang expression. That is the last thing you ought to do. You start your education race with a good many advantages. You are taught in your own mother tongue, whereas your Chinese competitors have what is to them a difficult language to master before they really get started on their Public school careers; then again you are brought up from your earliest days among those very traditions which we are anxious to create in all our Public schools. So in your class rooms and on your playing fields you start ahead of many and the Colony rightly expects you to lead, both in the examinations and in the games which are run on Western lines.

A Fine Site Reserved

Like so many other schools, you have outgrown your buildings, and you have had to desert the school premises for your prize distribution. But you are better off than a good many schools in this Colony, and we have a fine site set aside for a future Central British School to be built as soon as we can afford it. Meanwhile it may comfort you to know that many of our old Public Schools in Britain turn out the finest scholars and the finest athletes from buildings which, judged by modern standards, would probably be condemned out of hand. I look forward to the day when the Central British School will have buildings more suited to its deserts, but meanwhile make the best use of what you have, and the results will not suffer.

I congratulate the prize winners on their success, I have no doubt they have deserved it; and I would comfort the losers by reminding them that "it is a greater thing to try without succeeding than to succeed without trying."

Words to Parents

And now a word to parents: I am delighted to hear from the Director of Education an excellent account both of the health of the pupils and of their high standard of educational achievement. British parents can rest assured that they have in the Central British School an opportunity for a first-class secondary education for their children. Children can be kept in Hong Kong far longer than in most tropical colonies, and it is a source of no small satisfaction to the Government to know that our efforts to meet a real need are meeting with such obvious success. I congratulate the Central British School on the standard it has attained, and I wish it all success.

A Whole Day Holiday

After the prize distribution, His Excellency said that he wished to add that he was delighted to have the opportunity of coming to distribute the prizes, and in return, he would ask the head master to give the School a whole day holiday. The petition was granted and a whole-hearted cheer from the school voiced their thanks to His Excellency.

PRIZE LIST

Royal Drawing Society
Division 6:—A. Cretcher, V. Levkovich.
Division 5:—E. Butler, A. Chester, V. Levkovich, A. Miller, N. Moss, M. Poynting, F. Stoakes, J. Suiter (Honours).
Division 4:—S. Bander (Honours), F. Bird (Honours), R. Blyth (Honours), D. Brooks, J. Gardiner, A. Hynes (Honours), J. Marshall, A. Miller (Honours), J. Miller (Honours), N. Moss (Honours), M. Poynting, J. Smith, I. Stirling, F. Stoakes, N. Whitley (Honours), R. Wood, I. Woolley (Honours).
Division 3:—J. Bates (Honours), E. Blyth, S. Brown (Honours), I. Black, G. Freeman, S. Griggs (Honours), V. Grunberg, M. Huxford, R. Ingram (Honours), R. Kirman (Honours), E. Lysaught, A. Macfarlane (Honours), G. McNeillie, J. Miller (Honours), D. Monaghan, R. Phillips (Honours), L. Read (Honours), J. Thirwell (Honours).
Division 2:—F. Bacon, C. Bander (Honours), B. Bond, S. Brown (Honours), J. Bryson (Honours), E. Gilbert, J. Chubb (Honours), J. Crouch (Honours), D. Egan, M.

Everest (Honours), F. Fowler (Honours), S. Fowler (Honours), G. Freeman (Honours), J. Gardiner (Honours), M. Gardiner, P. Gardner (Honours), V. Grunberg (Honours), W. Hill, E. Holloway (Honours), M. Huxford (Honours), R. Kirman (Honours), Y. Langley (Honours), J. Laurence (Honours), M. McCaw (Honours), R. Marshall (Honours), J. McLeod (Honours), D. Monaghan (Honours), F. Mooney, N. Moss (Honours), A. Owen (Honours), R. Phillips (Honours), V. Porozoff (Honours), M. Poynting (Honours), D. Raven, M. Rousseau (Honours), L. Salmon, C. Sloan, J. Sloan (Honours), J. Smith (Honours), R. Spencer, D. Taylor (Honours), R. Wood (Honours), H. Wylie (Honours).

Division 1:—M. Adam (Honours), S. Bander (Honours), A. Bates (Honours), R. Blackmore (Honours), N. Branch (Honours), E. Butler (Honours), R. Egan, M. Glendinning (Honours), D. Hamblin (Honours), V. Harris (Honours), R. Holden (Honours), E. Hynes (Honours), A. Iffa, A. Laihovetsky (Honours), J. Langley (Honours), D. Marshall, R. Marshall (Honours), A. Miller (Honours), H. Mills, A. Moss (Honours), N. Moss (Honours), M. Poynting (Honours), L. Read (Honours), H. Reiton (Honours), F. Salmon (Honours), D. Smith (Honours), J. Smith (Honours), G. Swan (Honours), N. Waldorf (Honours), D. Witchell (Honours), H. Wylie (Honours).

Examination Results

University of London Matriculation Examination:—E. L. Hayes.
University of Hong Kong Matriculation Examination:—B. Pickford (Distinction in English), T. R. Ingram (Distinction in English), R. H. A. Woolley (Distinction in English).
University of Hong Kong Senior Local Examination:—B. Budden (Distinction in English), D. Hynes (Distinction in English), Y. Langley (Distinction in English).
University of Hong Kong Junior Local Examination:—D. Brooks, A. Hynes, A. Miller, M. Poynting, I. Woolley, H. Wylie.
Montargis French Prize:—B. Budden.

Government Scholarships:—Y. Langley (Form VI), A. Miller (Form V); J. Bates (Form IV), P. Huxford (Form 3A), V. Grunberg (Form 3B), D. Raven (Form 2A), C. Bander (Form 2B), F. Fowler (Form 1R), J. Booker (Form 1).
Government Prizes:—B. Budden (Form VI), A. Miller (Form V), J. Bates (Form IV), P. Huxford (Form 3A), V. Grunberg (Form 3B), D. Raven (Form 2A), M. Adam (Form 2B), F. Fowler (Form 1R), J. Booker (Form 1).
Garrison School Scholarships:—J. Jordan, L. Parry, E. Penney, M. Rumsby, Q. Tylcoat, J. Wilson, E. Withers.
Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Company's Scholarships:—M. Adam, S. Brown.

Headmaster's Prize:—B. Budden.
J. R. M. Smith Scholarship:—H. Wylie.
Wylie Composition Prize:—D. Hynes.
Biblical Knowledge Prize (presented by Rev. J. H. Johnstone):—H. Wylie (Form V), R. Ingram (Form IV).
Composition Prize (presented by W. D. Owen):—R. H. A. Woolley.
Ezra Abraham Scholarship:—B. Budden.
War Memorial Prize:—B. Budden.

History Prize (presented by H. B. L. Dowbiggin):—D. Hynes.
Prize for Mathematics (presented by G. G. Wood):—A. Miller, L. Read.

Geography Prize (presented by Mrs. Wyatt):—M. Taylor.
At the conclusion of the prize giving, those present, at the invitation of the head master, took advantage of the opportunity and went to the school hall where some really good works of art were exhibited, more particularly those drawings of M. Whitley and R. Woolley, which were exhibited in the Guildhall Art Gallery, London, last year.

The head master, through the China Mail, wishes it to be known that the same drawings on view yesterday will be shown again to visitors on Monday during school hours.

GUILTY CONSCIENCE?

On February 17, Mr. Li Ming-hang manager of the Nam Chung native bank, Benham Strand, reported to the Police on his arrival from Canton, that during the voyage his inner jacket pocket was cut and a roll of cheques to the total value of \$4,000 stolen.
There was a sequel to the theft yesterday when Mr. Li received through the post an envelope containing the stolen cheques. There is no clue as to the identity of the person who has made restitution.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL

Social Functions
To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
To-day—Tea Dance at Peninsula Hotel, 5 p.m.
To-morrow—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong, Repulse Bay, and Peninsula Hotels, 8.30 p.m.
To-day—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel, and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.
To-day—Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders, Dinner, 8.30 p.m.

Entertainments
To-day—Queen's Theatre, "Trespasser."
To-day—Star Theatre, "Four Walls."
To-day—World Theatre, "Robinhood."
To-day—Majestic Theatre, "Easy Come, Easy Go."
March 22, 25, 26 (matinee), 27, 28, and 29—A.D.C.—"And So To Bed," Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.
Land Sale
March 24—At P.W.D. Offices, one lot of Crown land at Shamshui-po, 3 p.m.
Auctions
March 22—At H.K. & K. Whf. Godown No. 47, Miscellaneous goods, and Chinese provisions 11 a.m.
March 25—At Leichikok Installation of the Standard Oil Co. storehouse material 10.30 a.m.

Sports
See Special Sports Diary on page 9.

Home Mails
To-day—Inward from Europe via Negapatam (Yuen-sang).

Meetings
To-day—St. George's Society, General Chamber of Commerce, 5.30 p.m.
March 22—Hong Kong Realty & Trust Co., Ltd., meeting, Exchange Bldg., 11.30 a.m.

March 26—Hong Kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd., Messrs. Jardine's Offices, noon.
March 26—Bank of Canton Ltd., 6, Des Voeux Road Central, 2.30 p.m.
March 29—A.S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel, 11.30 a.m.

March 31—H.K. and Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd., 2, Queen's Bldg., noon.
April 26—Hong Kong Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd. (in liquidation), 6, Des Voeux Road Central, Noon.
May 5—Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotels Limited, Exchange Bldg., Des Voeux Rd., 11.30 a.m.

Miscellaneous
March 27, April 3, 10—Lectures in "Modern Architecture" by Mr. C. E. Moore, University Engineering Society.

Y.W.C.A.

Campaign Opened for Funds

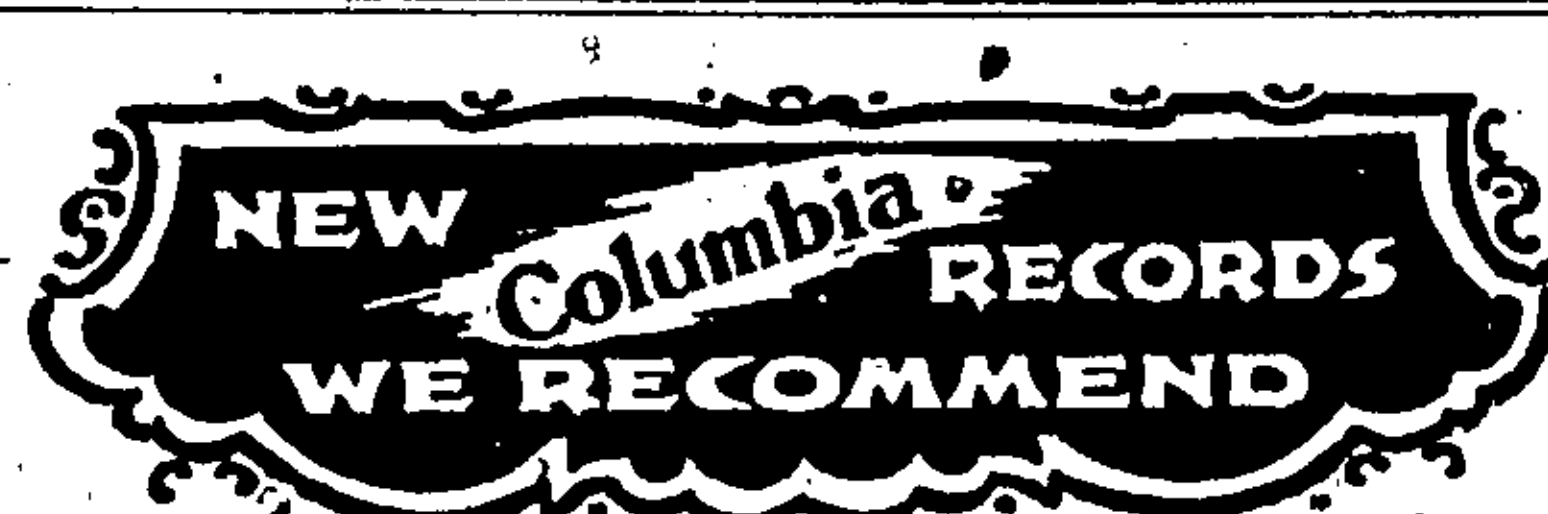
The excellent work done by the local Y.W.C.A. was emphasised at a meeting yesterday afternoon in the ball room of Government House. The meeting marked the formal opening of a campaign to raise \$30,000 to purchase a suitable house at No. 38, Bonham Road, to carry on the good work. Mrs. Southern presided and in her opening speech, she gave a brief review of the good work done by the Y.W.C.A., and urged the community to give it support.

Other speakers were the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewell, C.M.G. and Miss Shih Tak-hing, General Secretary of the Y.W.C.A.
The following programme of music was given:—
1. "Si vous l'avez compris" (Denza) Torna a Surriento (Curtis) Sung by Li Chor-chi.
2. The Fuchsia Tree (Roger Quilter) Almond, Wild Almond.
3. Violin Solo, Legende (Wieniaski) Czardas (Monte) Played by Mr. John Braga.

AND SO TO BED

22, 25, 27, 28 and 29
MARCH at 9.15
26 MARCH at 4.30.

BOOKING AT ANDERSON'S



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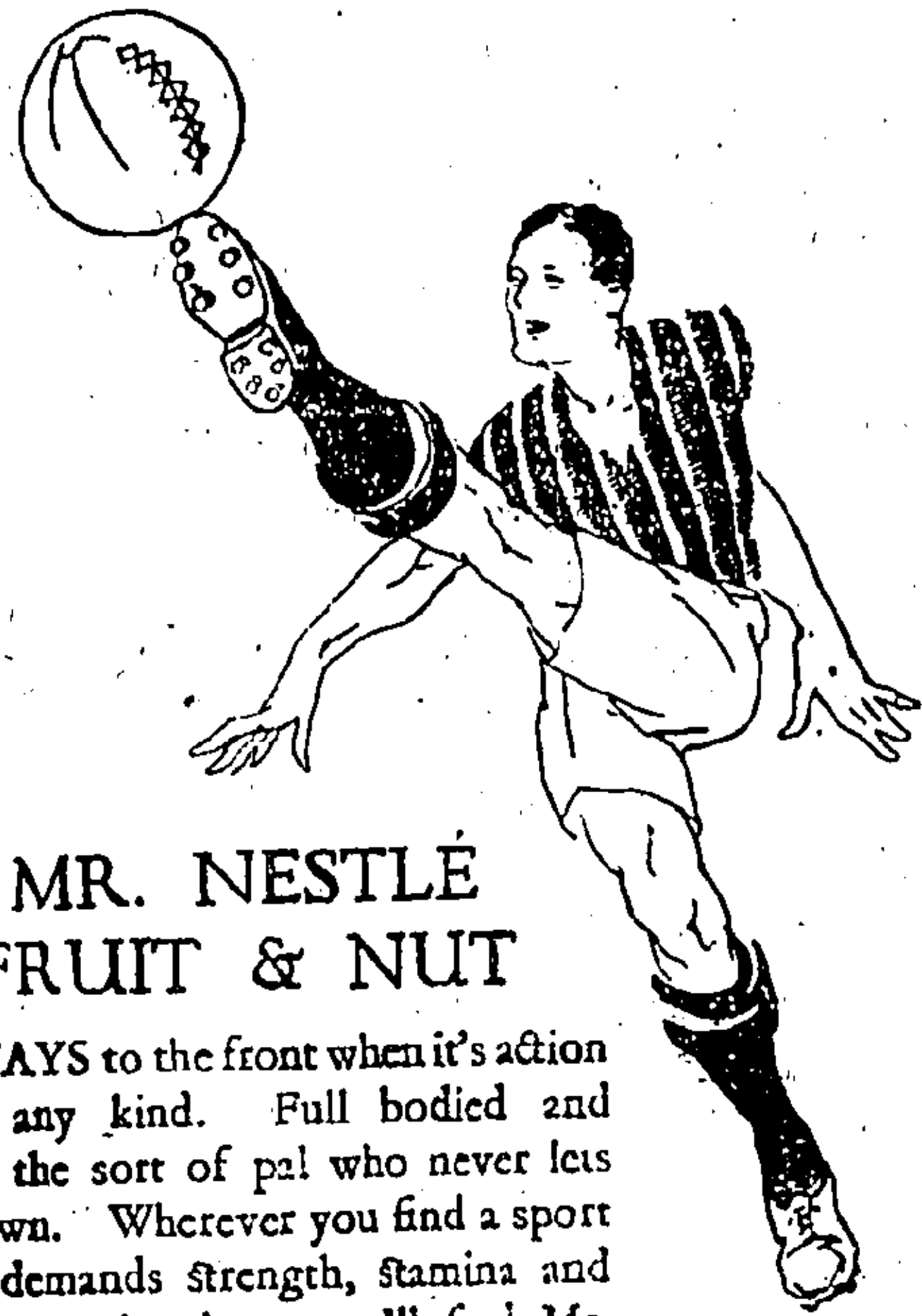
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FRENCH CONVENT

(Continued from Page 1.)

PRIZE LIST 1929

Class 8 Kindergarten

Prize for English and Religious Knowledge, Paula Hollands; English and Needlework, Topsy Dwyer and Winifred Grimmett; English and French, Jeannette Mangin and Alice Anderson; English, French and Drawing, Anita Ling; General Application and Progress, Beryl Holland.

Class 7B

Prize for General Progress and Regular Attendance, Zaza Suffad and June Hall; Reading, Dictation, French and Music, Thelma Koo-ache; Application, Drawing and Needlework, Ella Sling; Religious Knowledge and Regular Attendance, Lily Trinh; General Application, Penmanship and Needlework, Rosio Raptis; Regular Attendance, Politeness and Progress, Winnie Collom; Good Conduct and General Progress, Norma Blake.

Class 7A

Reward for Progress.—Noorbee Curree, Hajarah Curree, Dorothy Grimmett, Annie Young, Zamina Hamet. Prize for Religious Knowledge and Recitation, Mary Suffad; General Application and Penmanship, Needlework, Music and French, Mabel Li; Good Conduct and General Progress, Irene Hachiuma.

Preparatory Classes for Chinese Students

Prize for Regular Attendance and Improvement in English.—Catherine Fong, Phyllis Leung, Doris Chan, Bessie Ng, Gerlie Lee, Pansy Cheung, Maggie Kan, Fanny Ip, Mary Ha, Norah Koo, Alice Leung; Application and Religious Knowledge, Lucie Lee, Philomena Seto and Mary Lam; English Composition, Daisy Young and Pansy Chan; English and Drawing, Jenny Lai and Phyllis Chan.

The Anna Memorial Prize presented by Mr. Pestonji.—Theresa Tam.

Prize for Good Conduct, Needlework and special Prize for Progress in English presented by Mr. Ho Korn-teng, O.B.E.—Gerlie Chan.

Class 6

Prize for Regular Attendance and Improvement, Marie Leonard, Mario de Souza, Annie Suffad and Kitty Hassan; Improvement and French, Alicia Gutierrez; Regular Attendance, Drawing and Needlework, Lily Chan and Naseria Nazarin.

Prize for Penmanship and Arithmetic, Lily Tetzel; Regular Attendance and Politeness, Helen Erwin; General Application and Needlework, Juliet Hassan; Improvement and Drawing, Lily Sadick; English Composition and Needlework, Stella Sprinkle; Religious Knowledge and Progress, Paula Ayock; General Application, Progress and French, Pauline Trinh; Good Conduct, Application, Religious Knowledge, Florence Grimmett.

Class 5B

Prize for General Progress, French and Music, Annie Nissen and Laura Li; General Progress, French, Drawing and Needlework, Isabel Pinheiro; General Application, Drawing, Needlework and Religious Knowledge, Alice Ismail; Application and General Progress, Dora Ellis, Rose Sum and Joan Smith.

Class 5A

Prize for General Improvement and English, Violet Bradbury; Application, Drawing and French, Irene Biltzer; Application, Domestic Science and Needlework, Mergie el Arcelli; English, General Improvement and Drawing, Nariya Nazaria; Good Conduct, General Improvement, Drawing and Needlework, Theresa Li; General Application and Progress, Religious Knowledge, French and "The London Trinity College" Junior Certificate for Music, Helena Pinheiro.

Rewards for Progress.—Constance Wong, Helena Grimmett, Marjorie To and Carrie Lau.

Prize for Penmanship and Drawing, Rosio Murphy; Domestic Science, Arithmetic and His Lordship Bishop Valtorta's prize for Catechism, Edna Sprinkle; General Progress and Domestic Science, Doris Yuen; English, French, Religious Knowledge and Needlework, Josephine Choa; General Progress and French, Margaret Kong.

Class 5

Reward for Progress.—Ethel Tam, Julia Lee, Julia Mok, Daisy Chan, Agnes Lee, Eva Laign and Louise Santos.

Prize for General Progress and Drawing, Pansy Kitchell; Geography and Religious Knowledge, Editha Xavier; General Progress, French; Drawing and Painting, Muriel Ching; Regular Attendance, Politeness and Good Conduct, Louise Choa.

Special Test Prize presented by Revd. Mother Superior for Kmas Term Examination, Edna Holland; General Progress, French and the Eugard Scholarship for the year 1929, Edna Carroll.

Class 2 Junior

Prize for History, French and Religious Knowledge, Olga Walker; History and Religious Knowledge,

Hannah Abbas; Domestic Science, Stella Xavier and Nora Zimmer; Drawing, Rabeya Mossdan.

Junior Local Certificates

Junior Certificate, Ruby Lee; Junior Certificate and Arithmetic, Mary Ng; Junior Certificate, Drawing and Needlework, Ada Shum; Junior Certificate, Arithmetic and Needlework, Mary Lee; Junior Certificate, English and French, Lily Elias; Junior Certificate, Mathematics and Drawing, Florence Tong; Junior Certificate, Domestic Science, French and Trinity College Intermediate Certificate for Music, Gladys Grimmett, Junior Certificate, Geography, French (Distinction) and Trinity College Intermediate Certificate for Music, Jeanne Jean-bille.

Prize presented by Lady Ho Tung and Trinity College Intermediate Certificate for Music, Lily Shearer.

Senior Class

Prize for Music and French, Loreto Zapanta; Application, Geography and Needlework, Hamira Ismail; History, French and Religious Knowledge, Kathleen Mackay; Arithmetic and French, Augusta Noronha.

Senior Certificate, French and Spanish, Emma Zamora; Senior Certificate, Religious Knowledge and Prize for French presented by the French Consul, Monsieur Duval Villanova, Pauline Choa; Senior Certificate, Domestic Science and Prize for Good Conduct presented by Mr. E. Ralphs, Director of Education, Elizabeth Johnson.

Prize for Mathematics, General Application and Good Conduct presented by the R. R. Fathers of the French Mission, Stella Hong.

COMPANY REPORT

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited

The report of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Company, Limited, for the year ended October 31, 1929, for presentation to the shareholders at the 45th annual ordinary general meeting of the Company to be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, on Saturday, March 29, at 11.30 a.m., is as follows:—

We beg to lay before you a statement of the Company's business with a balance sheet for the year ended October 31, 1929.

The net profit of the Company for the year under review, after providing for all bad and doubtful debts, and allowing for depreciation of aerated water and other machinery and plant, furniture, fittings, trade utensils, launches, motor trucks, etc., amounts to \$87,988.72. To which has to be added the balance brought forward from last year ... 32,044.67

Leaving available for appropriation ... \$150,033.39

We propose—
To pay a dividend of 70 cents per share which will amount to ... \$84,000.00
Write off building improvement ... 1,408.00
And carry forward to next account ... 64,625.39

\$150,033.39

Board of Directors

The existing Board of Directors consists of Mr. J. Scott Harrison, the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Kt., Mr. A. H. White, and Mr. A. B. Stewart, who retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors
The Company's accounts have been audited by Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., and Mr. S. T. Butlin, A.C.A., who offer themselves for re-election.

FIGHT WITH OCTOPUS

Man Gripped on Edge of Rock

Sydney, Jan. 14.

Dangling his legs over a rock ledge at Narooma, a holiday resort on the south coast, today, Charles F. Johnson, of Sydney, was seized suddenly by an octopus. He freed himself after an agonising five minutes.

With his wife, Johnson was opening oysters on the rock, when he felt what he thought to be a piece of seaweed brush past his leg, which was about a foot in the water.

Suddenly a tentacle came out of the water and gripped him by the calf of the leg.

Horried, he tried to save himself, but he was hindered by the slippery surface of the rock, and the octopus dragged him inch by inch towards the edge.

Another tentacle was thrown out and wrapped around his leg, and he seemed to be fighting a losing battle.

Wife to Rescue
His wife was dazed with terror, but she seized a piece of drift wood from a cliff in the rocks and placed it in her husband's hand.

Struggling desperately, Johnson struck with all his strength at the octopus' arm with the log. He struck home, and the octopus' arm was jerked back towards the rock, and slipped.

Johnson then made a dash for it, and escaped, but he was so exhausted that he could not walk, and he was carried to the shore by his wife.

Johnson, who is a well-known diver, was treated for cuts and bruises.

Have You Heard?

"Tomkins's book was a complete failure," said one.

"How was that?" said the other. "Well, you see, he was writing a mystery novel, and one of his principals was a Scotsman!"

"But what difference does that make?"

"Oh! But how can a Scotsman be uncanny!"

Small Boy (at table): "What, all that pie for grandpa?"

Mother: "No, my son; that is for you."

Boy: "Oh, what a little bit!"

Hotel Manager: "You're a long time blacking those boots."

New Bootboy: "Well, I can't help it. Some of 'em were brown when I started."

An elderly couple were visiting the cemetery. The wife wandered ahead of her husband. On one tombstone she saw the words "Tempus Fugit."

She remembered that the same words were on their old clock at home. "John," she called to her husband, "here's the grave of the man who made our clock."

On Christmas morning the children of the house were spreading out the toys that Father Christmas had put in their stockings.

"Father," said Willie, "I wish I had got a dictionary in my stockings as well as these toys."

"Why, what did you want that for?"

"So that I could find out the meaning of the words I heard Father Christmas say when he stepped on the tacks I spread on the carpet last night."

He: "May I have the next dance with you?"

She: "No, thank you, I'm too danced out."

He: "Why, you're not stout at all; you're just comfortably plump."

Angry employer: "See here! You told my secretary that you wanted to see me on a matter of life and death."

Bright Young Man: "I do, sir. I want to get you to insure yourself."

A councillor once lost his temper during a meeting and remarked that half his colleagues were fools.

An apology was demanded. He promised to make reparation, and caused bills with the following wording to be posted on hoardings in the town:

I said that half the town councillors are fools. I now declare that half the town councillors are not fools."

A fisherman walking across a hayfield in the country met a farmer. "Is it an offence to catch fish here?" he asked.

"Offence?" replied the farmer. "No; it's a miracle!"

EXCHANGES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

On London—

Bank wire ... 1/6 3/4

Bank on demand ... 1/6 5/16

Bank 30 days sight ... 1/6 1/2

Bank 4 months sight ... 1/6 7/16

Credits, 4 months' sight ... 1/7 1/4

Documentary, 4 months' sight ... 1/7 3/4

On Paris—

On demand ... 942 1/2

Credits, 4 months' sight ... 1017 1/2

On Berlin—

On demand ... 37 1/2

Credits, 60 days' sight ... 38 1/2

On Bombay—

Wire ... 102 1/2

On Calcutta—

Wire ... 102 1/2

On demand ... 102 1/2

On Singapore—

On demand ... 65 1/2

On Manila—

On demand ... 74 1/2

On Shanghai—

On demand ... 78

30 days' sight (private paper) ... 78 1/2

On Yokohama—

On demand ... 74 1/2

Gold loan ... 100 fine

(per ton) ... 12.68

Silver (per oz.) ... 20

Bar Silver in Hong Kong ... 2% dis.

Copper Cash ... Nominal

Domestic Cents ... 85% prem.

Rate of Native In ... 6 1/2

Chinese Sub. Cdn. ... 33 1/2

Bank Loan Sub. Cdn. ... 33 1/2

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

Opening Daily Official Quotations 21st March, 1930.

STOCK	Buy-ers	Sell-ers	Sales	Non-yr.	Yr. year	Last dividend and when paid	
Banks.							
Hong Kong Bank	...	170	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929 Final 7th bonus 1929 Free 1/100 a/c 1929 Final 1st a/c 1929 Final 1st a/c 1929	Feb. 24, 30 Pending Oct. — 29 Feb. 28, 30
Chartered Bank	...	...	16	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Merchants' Bk., Ltd.	...	...	10 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Bank of Asia	91	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Insurance.							
Canton Ins.	780	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 22nd a/c 1929 Final 1st a/c 1929 Final 1st a/c 1929	May 28, 30 May 24, 30
Union Ins.	399	400 1/2	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
China Underwriters	1,800	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
China Fire Ins.	340	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
H. K. Fire Ins.	900	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Shipping.							
Douglases	23 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	
H. K. Steamboats	...	...	17	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929 Final 1st a/c 1929 Final 1st a/c 1929	Mar. 4, 30 June 19, 30
Indo-China (Pref.)	...	...	19	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	
Shell Transports	...	...	52 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Union Waterboats	25	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Jan. 6, 30 Mar. 10, 30
Mining.							
Benguet	6.65	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Dec. — 29
Kailan Mining Ad. s/	...	...	40 1/2	...	June	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Lanark (Comb.)	...	...	18.60	...	Oct.	Last div. for year 1929	
Shai Exploration	...	...	1.80	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Loans	...	...	5	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Raubs	18 1/2	...	...	...	Mar.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Treasure Mines	...	...	21 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Sep. 30, 29
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.							
H. K. & K. Wharves	147	145 1/2	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Mar. 18, 30
H. K. & W. Docks	...	...	38	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
China Provident	5.10	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Hongkong	216	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Pending
N. Engineering	7.80	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Feb. 28, 30
Shanghai Docks	123	...	...	...	Apr.	Final 1st a/c 1929	July 27, 29
Cotton Mills.							
Ewo Cottons	13 1/2	13.20 40	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Shai Cotton (old)	...	...	80	...	Apr.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Shai Cotton (new)	...	...	78	...	Oct.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Nov. 23, 29
Zoong Sing	9.05	...	...	...	June	Final 1st a/c 1929	Oct. 11, 29
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.							
H. K. & S. Hotels	19.90	19.70 90	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
H. K. Lands	53 1/2	53 1/2	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Feb. 18, 30
Shanghai Lands	...	...	210	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Mar. 19, 30
Humphreys	...	...	14	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Feb. 8, 29
H. K. Realities	...	...	8.80	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Pending
Chinese Estates	98	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	June 5, 29
Public Utilities.							
H. K. Tramways	19 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Mar. 18, 30
Peak Tram (old)	...	...	6.06	...	Apr.	Final 1st a/c 1929	June 7, 29
Peak Tram (new)	...	...	...	...	Apr.	Final 1st a/c 1929	June 7, 29
Star Ferry	37 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Feb. 14, 30
China Light	201	...	...	...	Sept.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
H. K. Electric	68 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Dec. 23, 29
Misco	28	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Mar. 12, 30
Sandakan Lights	4 1/2	...	...	...	June	Final 1st a/c 1929	
H. K. Telephones	11	11.10	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Mar. 15, 30
China Buses	11 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Feb. 23, 29
S'pore Tractions (Ord.)	10 1/2	...	...	...	Sept.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Feb. 5, 30
S'pore Tractions (Pref.)	10 1/2	...	...	...	Sept.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Feb. 5, 30
Industrial.							
China Sugars	80 c.	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Malayan Sugars	...	...	27	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Apr. 11, 29
Cold: Mag. Ord.	...	...	10	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Cold: Mag. Ord.	...	...	10	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Canton Ice	...	...	2 1/2	...	July	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Concrete (comb.)	14.40	14 1/2	10 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Mar. 10, 30
H. K. Ropes	8	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
United Asbestos	5	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Stores, &c.							
Dairy Farms	...	...	20 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Mar. 14, 30
Watsons	...	...	11 1/2	...	Oct.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Mar. 23, 29
Der A Wings	80 c.	...	...	...	Feb.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Lane Crawfords	2.65	...	...	...	Feb.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Mackintosh	18	...	...	...	Feb.	Final 1st a/c 1929	Apr. 11, 29
Siacres	...	...	12	...	Feb.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
Wm. Powells	2.85	...	...	...	Feb.	Final 1st a/c 1929	June 10, 29
Miscellaneous.							
H. K. Amusement	28 1/2	...	...	...	Mar.	Final 1st a/c 1929	July 5, 29
H. K. Construction	...	...	1.80	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
B. Ind. C. Bonds	82 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	
H. K. Govt. Loans	8 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 1st a/c 1929	

Sport Columns

CHAT ON LOCAL FOOTBALL

Surprise from King's Park

Sunday Herald International Cup Final

WEEK'S GAMES REVIEWED

[By "Roamer"]

What a surprise! Lowly Recreio ran out good winners against the Somersets by the odd goal in three, and I now despair of the "Sets" pulling off the Championship this season. Taking their paper value by comparing their records this season, i.e., twenty points bagged in fourteen games as against Recreio's five only in thirteen, coupled with the fact that A. V. Gosano was absent, it looked to be a comfortable afternoon for the Soldiers, but alas was it?

In the first minute Recreio gave their opponents a fright when Ward got very close but they soon recovered and Baker gave Beltrao the opportunity to display his ability between the posts—a good shot, and a good save. With Silva-Netto and Sousa smashing up attacks it was hard work for the "Sets" front line to get within reasonable shooting distance and when they did break through Beltrao in tip top form dealt with the best that Baker, Butcher and Rayson could give.

A trifle against the run of the play Ward crowned the splendid movement of B. Gosano by a good drive to beat Hall. Excitement was promised for in the next minute Knapp, accepting the ball from Rayson, flashed it passed Beltrao. Up to that time the eleven's deserved to be on terms and this was proved by the ding dong struggle that followed.

Then, with B. Gosano being allowed too much freedom the "Sets" got into arrears again when Rocha found the net after Gosano had paved the way. Upon resuming Huish backed up his shaky partner well and did good work in dealing with three most dangerous thrusts. Hope for the "Sets" to pull the game out of the fire went when Knapp, with two chances, failed to register from the spot but he was not altogether to blame for that failure for Beltrao effected a brilliant save from the second kick, but the Recreio's keeper was very lucky when he got his foot to the ball from Butcher.

The second half was blank as far as scoring went and had the Soldier front line put more zip into their final shots Beltrao would have been beaten at least twice, for two reasonable chances were missed, apart from the spot kick failure. With the Navy no doubt being awarded the points from Kowloon and every possible chance of them beating the Police at the Stadium the "Sets" cannot now bring off the Championship, but if they can master the Athletic there is a hope for "Runners up" honours, medals for whom are provided if funds permit.

A Further Upset

A further upset was brought about by the Police, without the services of Valentine, forcing South China to a goal-less draw. Valentine was sadly missed and it is within the bounds of possibility that South China would have been beaten by his inclusion in the side for Pau Kaping had more work to do than Clarke, although both keepers had a busy time.

The Club—St. Joseph's encounter worked out according to form, for a division of the spoils is a fair reflex of the game and relative positions in the table, and incidentally the "Saints" recorded their first draw of the season. The Club opened the scoring with a successful spot kick by McBride, Hyder having handled within the area. In response Roger was uncertain as to what he should do to stop the advancing Wee Tong and, timing his run out too late, was beaten with

a good shot to make the score one-all. The second half was very evenly contested, Skinner on one occasion being only just in time to stop Reed's drive which had McGowan beaten. Just before the final whistle Reed missed a gift goal.

With the Juniors

Nine goals were scored in the St. Joseph's—Eastern game. Salleh very early in the match put his side ahead for Omar, the "Saints" keeper, to assist in the second. Sabhan neatly caught a rebound to put Eastern three up. The "Saints" were then awarded a penalty, Castilho being successful from the spot. Leung Yun-hung added Eastern's fourth before the interval. Eastern re-opened strongly but were held and Sousa reduced his sides arrears to which Sabhan responded with the best shot of the game. Eastern were again held for a time until Sousa scored the "Saints" third. The visitors' sixth and last came from Leonard.

The "Gunners" luckily opened their account against South China "B" by the aid of Taylor for a free kick just outside the area for Wai Sze-chuen to even up before the interval. A change in places between Reed and Taylor was fruitful as the latter scored his second and Trice made the victory secure in the closing minutes.

The University were no match for South China "A" for the "A" eleven over-ran them and should have been more than one up (Yip Koon-ning) at the interval, for their opponents were two men short. After the resumption Yip Koon-ning, Chan Yul-tin and Ng Po-ku added further goals and Kho netted the Varsity's one and only in the last minute.

Kowloon turned out against the R.A.M.C. with depleted ranks. The noble eight put up a plucky display until Dunnett received an injury and left the field. Little wonder that the "Medicals" were two up, both by Imson, before the interval. The third goal came from Flynn and with Angus in form further success was denied. With Moore also being injured Kowloon finished with six players.

The match at the Stadium was nothing more than a practice game and, if I remember rightly, is a repetition of what happened on November 2 last. It was a great pity that the Chinese "A" and "B" eleven's did not take their game seriously, and it is very disheartening for an official to have to accept a game which turns out to be a farce as this match did.

Midweek Games

Two senior games were down for decision, Recreio versus Kowloon and Club versus Somersets, but

(Continued on Page 11.)

HOME FOOTBALL

Doncaster Draw with Stockport

London, Yesterday. There was only one League game to-day, and that in the Third Division (North) when Doncaster Rovers had to be content with a draw on their own ground.

Score:

Doncaster 1 Stockport 1

—Reuter.

Goals:

Port Vale . . . 32 24 5 8 27 53

Stockport . . . 33 21 7 5 88 39 49

Darlington . . . 34 17 5 12 89 61 39

Chesterfield . . . 32 17 4 11 59 45 38

Crewe . . . 31 15 6 10 67 50 38

York . . . 31 11 14 6 54 43 36

Accrington . . . 33 14 7 12 79 61 35

Hardlepoles . . . 32 13 9 10 63 55 35

8th. Shields . . . 33 13 7 13 54 61 33

Trammore . . . 33 12 8 13 72 68 32

Southport . . . 33 10 12 11 60 55 32

Lincoln . . . 32 9 14 9 52 45 32

Carlisle . . . 33 12 7 14 74 62 31

N. Brighton . . . 33 13 5 15 54 46 31

Rochdale . . . 31 12 6 13 61 67 30

Doncaster . . . 32 11 8 13 50 56 30

Nelson . . . 33 12 6 15 45 61 30

Wigan . . . 34 10 6 18 51 74 29

Wrexham . . . 32 8 15 46 63 24

Halifax . . . 35 8 7 20 37 65 23

Rotherham . . . 32 7 18 46 31 21

Barrow . . . 33 0 3 21 36 84 21

RIFLE SHOOTING

Taikoo R.C. v. H.M. Dockyard R.C.

AT TAIKOO RANGE

The following are results of matches played on Saturday last:—

Taikoo R.C.

200 yds. yds. yds. Total

Mr. R. Amery . . . 17 18 2 37

A. Macindoe . . . 26 29 28 83

K. McLennan . . . 32 31 33 96

T. Stanton . . . 27 28 24 77

J. Polson . . . 19 28 15 62

T. Swan . . . 28 27 28 83

D. Lyle . . . 28 26 29 83

D. Walsley . . . 27 31 29 87

Total . . . 204 216 188 608

For open sights . . . 0

Grand Total . . . 608

H.M. Dockyard R.C.

Guest . . . 30 29 29 88

Fewest . . . 22 6 32

Chambers . . . 21 24 17 62

Gossett . . . 22 20 24 66

Johnston . . . 28 25 23 76

Ursell . . . 26 28 22 76

Young . . . 22 27 27 76

Total . . . 179 206 174 559

For open sights . . . 0

Grand Total . . . 559

AT STONECUTTERS RANGE

Stonecutter East R.C. v. Y.M.C.A. R.C.

Stonecutters East R.C.

200 yds. yds. yds. Total

Capt. Quinlan, R.M. 20 24 24 77

Sgt. Madeline . . . 25 29 25 79

P.O. Morris . . . 27 31 25 83

P.O. Greening . . . 28 31 31 90

Cpl. Warwick, R.M. 32 31 29 92

Burnett, R.M. 29 31 30 90

Mae. Counter, R.M. 31 30 29 90

P.O. Parsons . . . 31 33 31 95

Total . . . 232 240 224 696

Add 4% for open sights . . . 24

Grand Total . . . 720

*Agreement sights.

Y.M.C.A. R.C.

Mr. Grenham . . . 28 28 21 77

Cpl. Morris, R.M. 29 28 27 84

Fallick, R.M. 25 25 23 73

Stemming, R.M. 27 31 20 78

Ackerman . . . 24 28 20 72

L/C Day, R.A.O.C. 25 24 12 61

Pte. Jackson . . . 26 30 28 84

Pte. O'Reilly . . . 31 30 28 89

R.A.O.C. . . . 31 30 28 89

Total . . . 215 222 177 614

Add 4% for open sights . . . 25

Grand Total . . . 639

ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE

Sports Meeting at Caroline Hill

A RECORD BROKEN

Keen rivalry was seen on the S.C.A.A. ground at Caroline Hill yesterday afternoon, when the annual athletic sports meeting of St. Paul's College was held in ideal weather. The 100 yards record of 10.3/5 secs. put up by Lam Yik-ying in 1923 was broken by Chan King-chor, who clipped one-fifth of a second off it.

Mrs. A. D. Stewart, the wife of the retiring head master of the College, distributed the prizes. She was presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers and accorded three hearty cheers.

Results

Senior Champion of College: Chan King-chor.

Junior Champion of College: Wong Tak-mong.

Class Championship: Commercial A.

Senior Long Jump: 1st, Chan Yul-tin; 2nd, Ching Siu-nam; 3rd, Chiu Ping-hang. Distance: 18 ft. 3 ins.

Senior 100 yds.: 1st, Wong Chung-suen; 2nd, Lam Chi-kan; 3rd, Wong Tak-mong. Time: 10.3/5 secs.

Senior 100 yds.: 1st, Chan King-chor; 2nd, Ching Siu-nam; 3rd, Chiu Ping-hang. Time: 10.2/5 secs. (record).

Small boys, 100 yds.: 1st, Chiu Ping-hang; 2nd, Wong Kim-lan; 3rd, Chiu Siu-kei. Time: 12 1/4 secs.

Inter-Class Relay: 1st, Commercial A.; 2nd, Four B.; 3rd, Three B. Time: 53 1/4 secs.

Scout Race: 1st, Lai Ting-sun; 2nd, Cheng Ping-kin; 3rd, Cheng Ping-wai and Tong Yiu-lun.

Senior 200 yds.: 1st, Chan King-chor; 2nd, Ching Siu-nam; 3rd, Chiu Ping-hang. Time: 24.2/5 secs.

Small Boys High Jump: 1st, Chiu Ping-hang; 2nd, Lam Kau-tok; 3rd, Wong Ka-hang. Height: 4 ft. 8 ins.

Junior High Jump: 1st, Wong Tak-mong; 2nd, Yung Ki-fong; 3rd, Lam Chi-kan.

Senior Hurdles: 1st, Chan Yul-tin; 2nd, Chan King-chor; 3rd, Ching Siu-nam. Time: 17 secs.

Old Boys' Race: 1st, Mr. Peter Kwong; 2nd, Mr. Wong Man-kei; 3rd, Mr. Luk Ding-cheung.

Half Mile Race: 1st, Ching Siu-kei; 2nd, Chiu Kin-kei; 3rd, Hung On-tak. Time: 2 min. 20 1/2 secs.

Invitation Relay Race: 1st, Queen's College.

One Mile Handicap: 1st, Lam Kau-tok (220); 2nd, Chan Kum-chuen (80); 3rd, Wong Kim-yan (220).

Our Sports Diary

LOCAL

Football—To-morrow—

Senior: Sunday Herald Cup

Final: Division I.—Somersets

v. R.A.; Kowloon v. Recreio;

Division II.—Eastern v. R.A.

Ewo v. Club; Kowloon v. Navy;

South China "B" v. Somersets,

St. Joseph's v. R.A.M.C.

April 5—Junior and Senior

Shield Finals.

Tennis—To-day—H.K.C.C.

Tournament (weather permit-

ting).

Racing—Saturday—Second

Extra Race Meeting.

Cricket—Saturday—Division

I: H.K.C.C. v. C.S.C.C.;

Division II: Police v. Indians;

Friendly—Division I: K.C.C.

v. Navy; Division II: R.E. &

S. v. H.K. Electric, C.S.C.C. v.

H.K.C.C., Recreio v. K.C.C.;

C.C.C. v. Lane, Crawford Ltd.

Sunday—Volunteers v.

Army, Sookumpoo, 2.30 p.m.

Athletics—To-morrow—

Annual University Sports,

Pokfulam. Half Mile open

4.15 p.m. and Relay Race open

4.30 p.m.

Hockey—To-day—Club v.

University II, King's Park, 5

p.m.; Hockey Club v. Tamar,

King's Park, 5 p.m.

Rifle Shooting—April 20 and

21—Volunteers' annual rifle

meeting, Stonecutters.

HOME

Association Football—

March 22—English and Scot-

tish Cups—Semi-Final Ties.

Rugby Football—March 22

—Army v. Royal Air Force,

Twickenham.

April 21—France v. Wales.

Racing—March 22—Imperial

Cup Sandown Park.

March 28—Grand National,

Liverpool.

March 29—Liverpool Hurdle

Race; Champion Steeplechase,

Liverpool.

Hockey—March 22—Eng-

land v. Scotland.

March 23—Ireland v. Eng-

land.

Athletics—March 22—Inter-

national Cross-Country Race.

Golf—March 25-26—Oxford

v. Cambridge, Hoylake.

Motor Cycling—March 22—

Leeds M.C. Open £200 Trial.

Hilliards—February 21 to

March 29—Amateur Cham-

pionship, London.

CRICKET

The following will represent the

Volunteers against an Army XI at 2.30

p.m. on Sunday at Sookumpoo:—A.

Reld (Captain), Capt. R. C. Strachey,

J. E. Richardson, R. M. Wood, K. H.

Batger, B. L. Stock, R. Bullock, E.

Zimmer, N. A. E. Mackay, J. D. A.

Hutchison, and D. E. Kelly.

C.C.C. Team

The following team has been

selected to play against the Crag-

gengower Cricket Club 2nd XI, on

Saturday, starting at 2 p.m.:—

S. J. Jordain, H. Overy, D. M.

Goodall, F. E. Skinner, D. W.

Gregory, E. Owen, B. S. Rogers,

H. Burson, R. G. U. Mead, W. C.

Ogley, and E. G. Sewell

World News In Pictures

Converse Seeks Divorce



Converse M. Converse, grandson of Edwin Converse, who was one of the founders of the United States Steel Corporation, filed a suit for divorce in the district court at Reno against Marian Converse (above). The complainant charges extreme cruelty. There are no children.

Modiste Seeks \$100,000



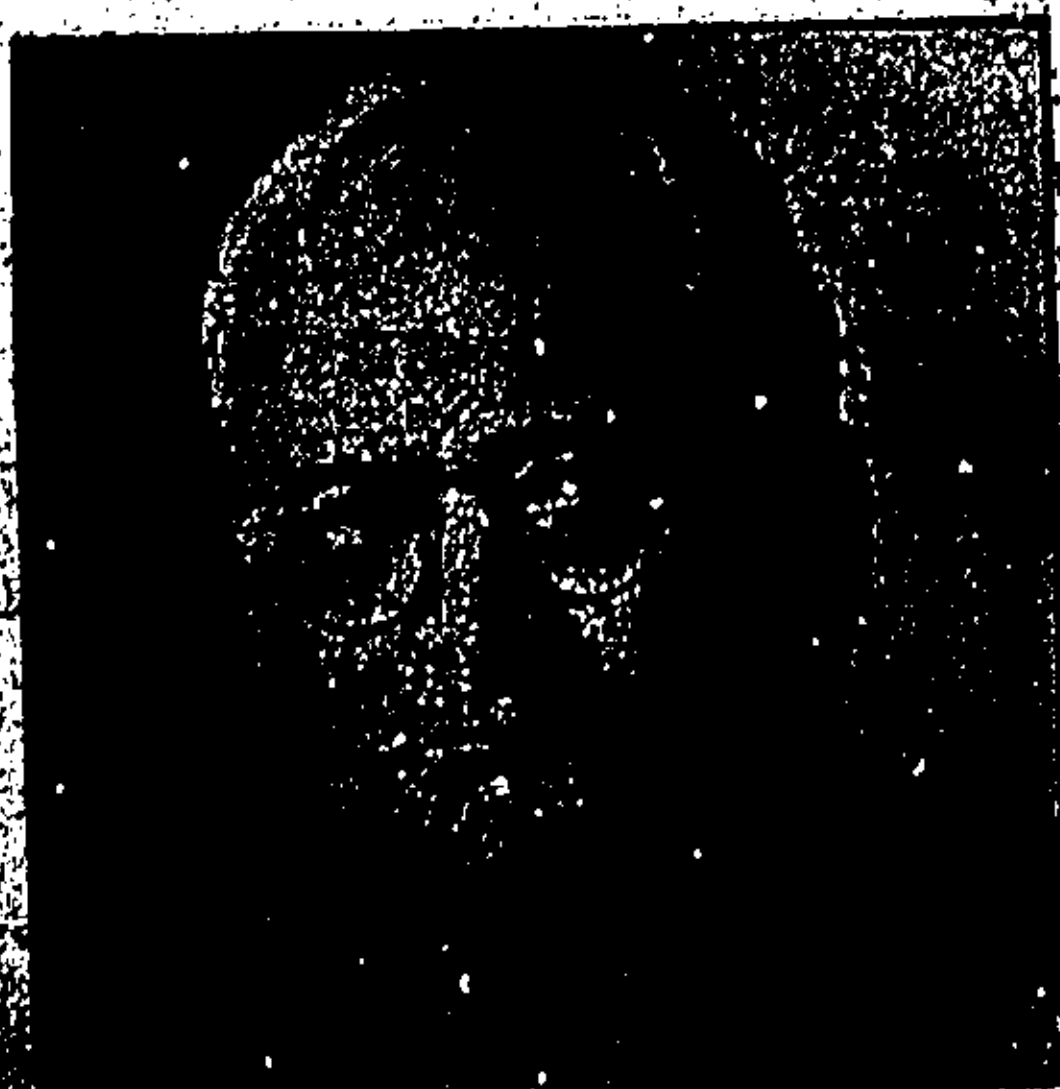
"He took my measurement for an engagement ring, set the date for our wedding, and promised me a trip around the world. I trusted him." That is the reason, according to Dorothy M. Wilson, modiste, that Ralph L. Knapp, wealthy linen importer, and twice a candidate for Mayor of Los Angeles, is the defendant in her suit for \$100,000.

Fights Pre-Nuptial Pact



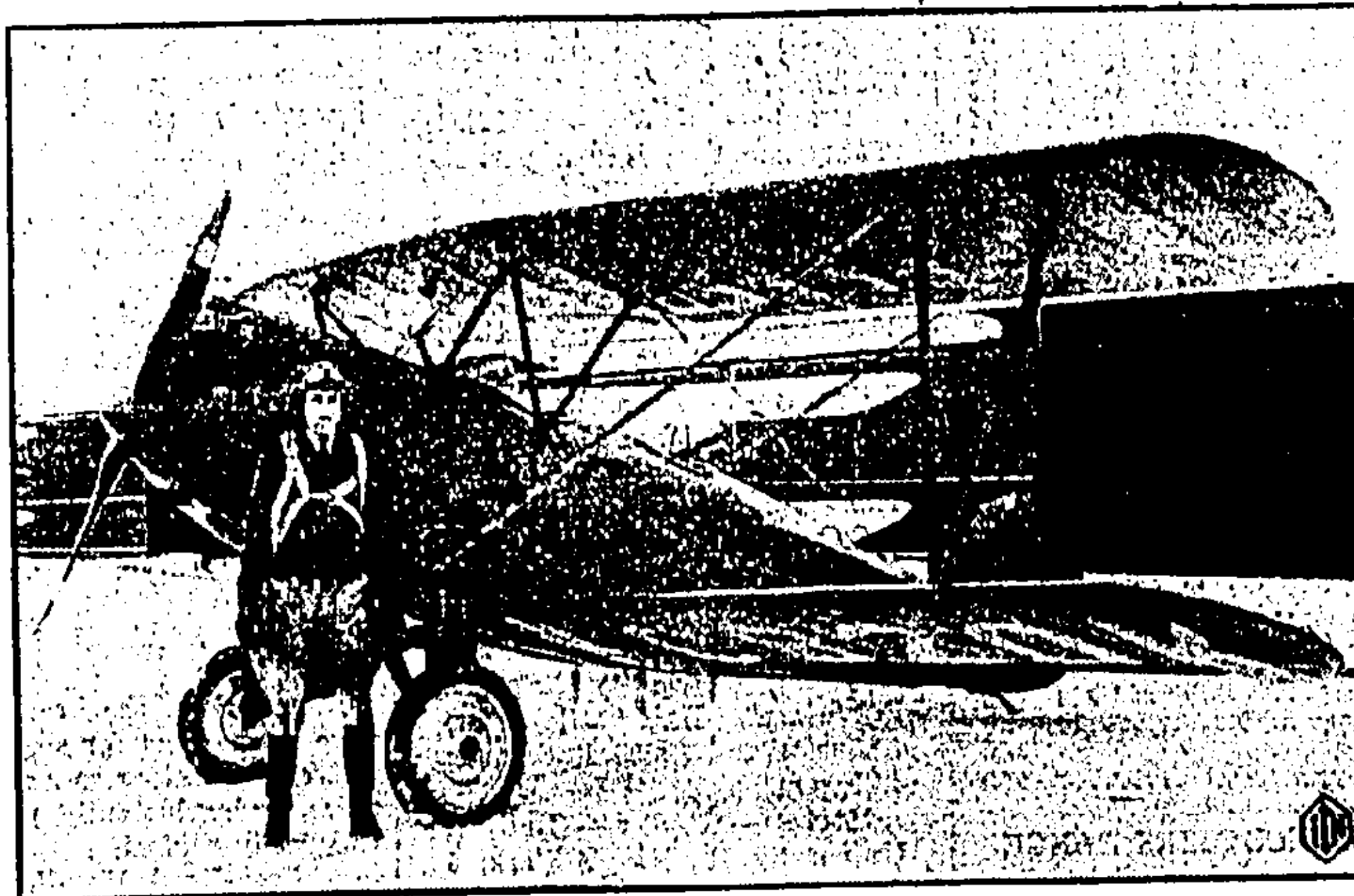
Declaring that he and his wife entered into a pre-nuptial agreement—that he would not marry her unless she was capable of bearing children, Dr. Louis E. Mahoney asked annulment of his marriage to Ida Mae Mahoney.

New Governor of Virginia



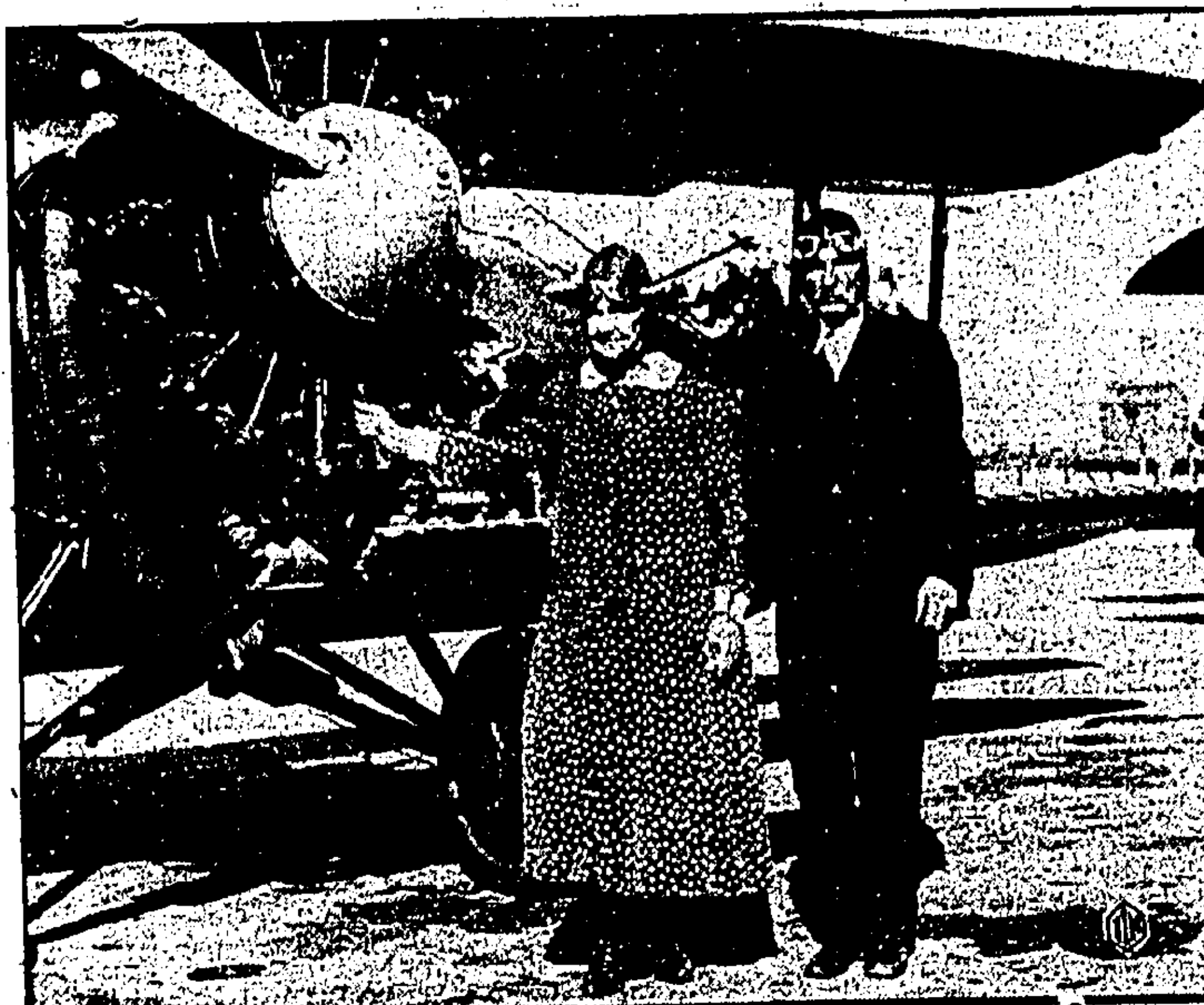
James H. Hunt, newly elected Governor of Virginia, is shown in the photograph above.

New Mark for Outside Loops



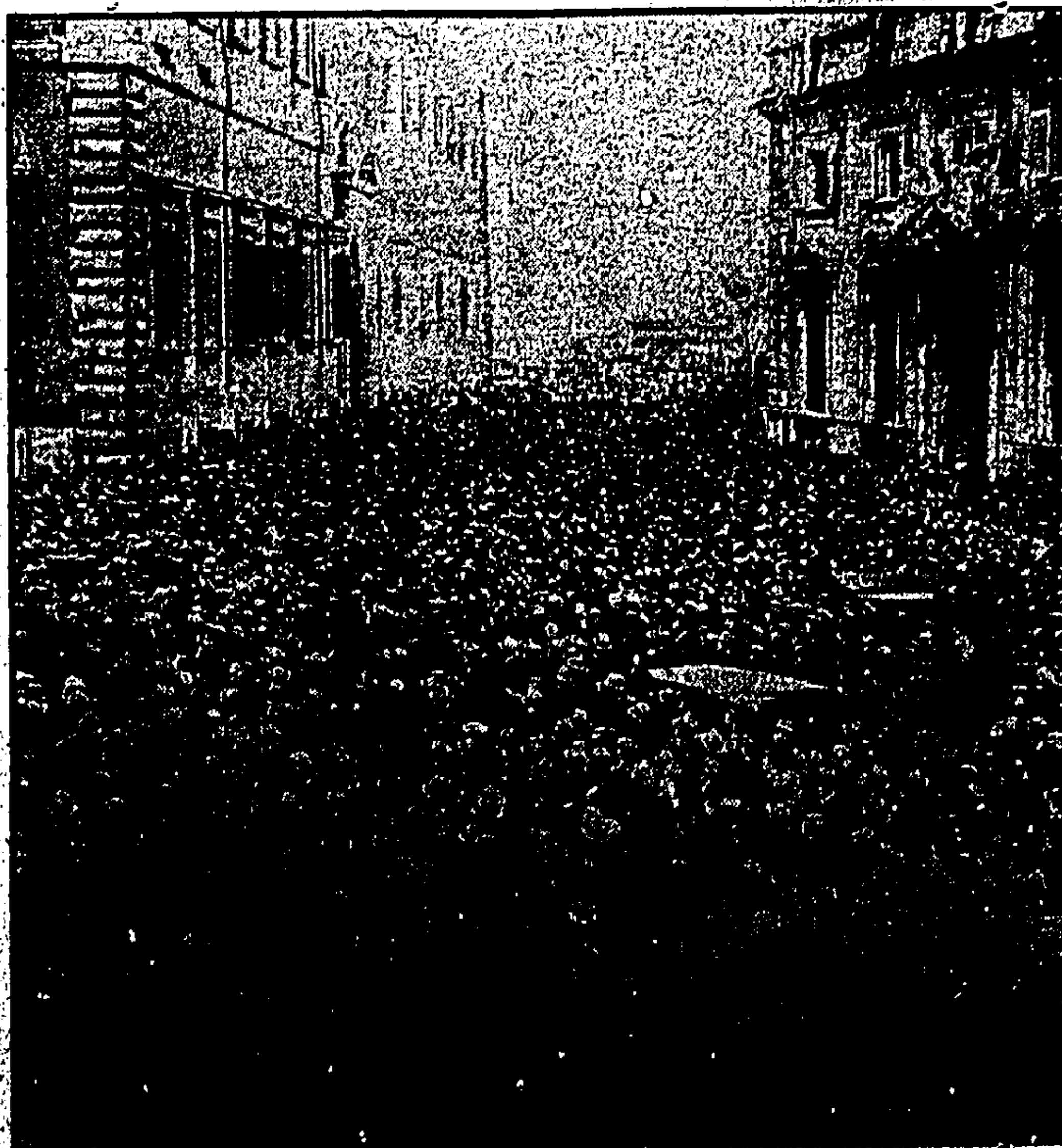
Tex Rankin, well-known aviator with his great Lakes air-cooled motored 'plane just after he had set a new world's record for consecutive outside loops with a mark of nineteen in 34 tries. The previous record was made at the Cleveland Air Race last summer and was 13 loops. An outside loop is one in which the pilot is on the rim of the circle and the landing gear of the 'plane is toward the centre. It must be started with a dive and finished with a climb.

Flight Not Thrilling!



These 82-year-old twins, Mrs. R. J. Sparks and J. S. Sliton, of Los Angeles, recently made their first aeroplane excursion at Clover Field, Santa Monica, and astonished their friends when they returned by calmly announcing that they had not found the experience nearly as exciting as they had expected. In fact, they said they had found crossing the western plains from Illinois to California in a covered wagon much more thrilling.

Roman Welcome to Future Rulers



A part of the monster crowd that gathered in the square beneath the balcony of the Quirinal Palace, upon which Crown Prince George and his Belgian spouse, Princess Marie Jose, made their appearance yesterday with their respective parents. The cheering crowd not only filled the square but overflowed into the surrounding streets and may be seen extending far into the distance.

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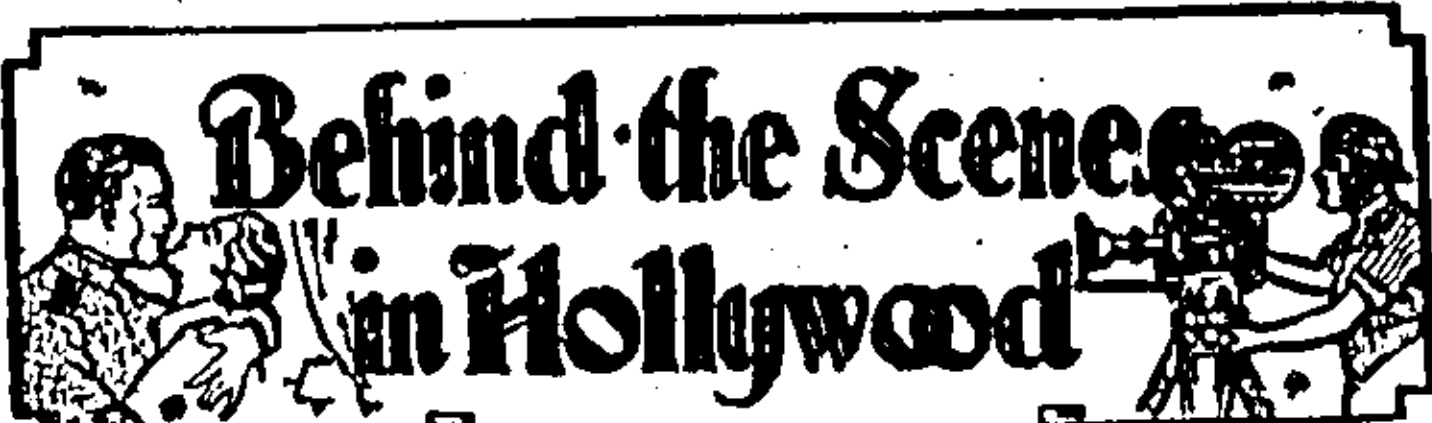
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"DECLINED"

(By Dorothy Herzog.)

Hollywood, January 22. Anna Harding and her husband, Harry Bannister, have received the following letter from a fan concerning their small daughter, Jane: "Dear Ann and Harry: I saw a picture of you in a movie magazine with your little daughter. Now I know that movie stars haven't time to take care of their own children, so I'd like to adopt her. She is a pretty little thing, and I know I could grow to love her like my own. She would have a fairly good home, and if not luxuries, at least love." "Ann and Harry" declined with thanks.

RE-BREAKS RIB

Dorothy Mackall played a dirty trick on herself. She broke the same rib twice. First she smacked the twelfth rib (donated by Adam eons ago) against a piano. That broke it. She had it taped and carried on with the picture. About a week later, she did a dance and smacked the same rib again. But, fortunately for her, the dance shots ended her share in the film. The injured rib is heavily taped again, but it's taking its own painful time healing. And in its behalf, the Mackalls have been compelled—the doctor's orders—to cancel her trip to New York. She's angled for that N.Y. trip for three years now. She'll make it yet, if she isn't careful... while, paraphrasing D.M., why not mention she lunched at Ye Embassy with her former husband, Lothar Mendes?

FORTUNE TELLER

Discovered. That Bebe Daniels is a whizz at reading the cards. She learned from her grandmother who is Spanish. She taught Bebe, also Bebe's mother, Phyllis. Christmas Day, there was a chap at Bebe's house who wanted the cards read for him. Bebe obliged. There was one thing she saw, she didn't want to tell him. He insisted. So she consented, albeit reluctantly. The one thing was that a very close friend—a man—of this chap would be killed in a tragic accident just after the first of the year. The chap remarked that he only had two close friends, one of them being Kenneth Hawks, the director. It was on January 2 that Mr. Hawks met with death shooting a stunt plane shot for his current offering, "Such Men Are Dangerous."

"YOUNG LOVE"

Out Universal-ways, Mary Nolan is preparing to begin work in "Young Love," which is a title and not quoted irony. William Janney, the lad who brothered for Mary Pickford in "Coquette," will hero for Miss Nolan. And Florence Dudley has been signed to play the sister. Florence is blonde and attractive and stepping along in this flick racket.

Irving Berlin got going one day and when he stopped he'd written three songs. Being a record as records go.

"NO SHIRT"

Sue Carol was put smack in her place the other day on "The Golden Call" set, where sundry children were emoting along with Sue and Jack Mulhall. She noticed one fellow with his coat buttoned tight to his chin.

"You'll get too warm with your coat buttoned like that, sonny," Sue opined.

"Ma told me to wear it closed," firmly.

"But she didn't know it would be so hot under the lights," said Miss Carol. "I'll unbutton it for you."

The lad permitted her to, albeit reluctantly. The opened coat exposed a small nude chest.

"Why, where's your shirt?" Sue cried.

"Huh," appalled at her ignorance. "Ma's washing it. Think a man's got a thousand?"

Through a pretty reliable source, this bureau is informed that a deal is pending that may see former Presidential candidate Smith come West to head the Fox film outfit. There is much of financial this and that happening within that organization at this penning. The upshot of this—and that, according to the news relayed to me, is, Al Smith is chieftain of the company. It is said that he will come West soon to look the ground over. Of which may be more news.

KATHLEEN GREENWOOD

Miss Kathleen Greenwood, the daughter of the Minister of Health, will be the first daughter of a Socialist Cabinet Minister to go on the films.

Although she has only a crowd part in the new Gainsborough picture, "A Symphony in Two Flats," with Ivor Novello and Jacqueline Logan as the stars, she is excited, and not at all worried at the long hours of work ahead of her. She is fair and pretty, and can certainly "register emotion," as she did when she heard of this new job.

Callers at her house understand quickly how Mr. Greenwood, her father, keeps fit. His home is at the very top of a five-storey building in Old Queen Street, and there is no lift. Once or twice up and down those stairs each day will kill or cure any man.

ALICE AND JOHN

Alice Joyce lunching at Ye Brown Derby with her brother, Frank, and Bert Lavino, is playing in John McCormick's initial film and has about three more weeks of grease painting. She may return to New York upon the film's completion.

"NOAH'S ARK"

Ten Thousand in Cast of Film

The man, horse, hydraulic and electric power involved in a super-spectacle motion picture is admirably illustrated in Warner Bros. recently completed production of "Noah's Ark." The sheer mechanics of organizing a vast army of 10,000 extras, controlling a horde of animals, and charting musicians, photographers, electricians and 1,100 workmen on a thirty-eight-acre auxiliary studio, for the making of a two-million-dollar screen epic—all this transcends the organization requisite for an industrial plant where a product is fit into a pattern and where there is plenty of time.

Time was an element of importance in screening "Noah's Ark," where the production cost per hour was \$10,000, and where the picture, once begun, had to spin along at a merry clip, without distractions. Two years were spent in research before Jack L. Warner, vice-president in charge of production, gave the word to start. These years were consumed in advance bibliographical, architectural and sartorial research on diluvian and ante-diluvian civilization. The accumulated data at hand, Director Michael Curtiz moved swiftly, and almost overnight a miniature city had sprung up, with every basic industry represented in the movie lot, anvils clanging, fly-wheels humming, forests of wood mounting, casting in progress, cameras clicking and assistant directors scurrying.

With two million dollars thrown into the making of "Noah's Ark," drama of the first order was expected, drama that would justify both aesthetically and economically the colossal expenditure.

The whipping into shape of a super-cinematic opus more than anything else resembles the marshalling by war lords of their forces. Both the general and the producer utilize vast numbers, have arbitrary power, and move over an immense terrain for their ultimate purposes.

It is interesting to study the statistical figures on this production. Fifty technical experts were engaged to work on drawings. An army of skilled artisans worked in three eight-hour shifts preparing the vast temple courtyards for the most elaborate scene of the picture. Sewing machines hummed the livelong day on costumes, of the pre-deluge periods. Eighteen thousand yards, or more than half a million inches, of silk braid were utilized for costumes alone. There was requisitioned 6,000 wigs and 3,000 beards, when research revealed that the pagan elite affected hair of cord, gold and other material, whereas the hot polloi of the times had to be tragically out of the mode in the half nature gave them. Hundreds of carloads of lumber were delivered on the special side-tracks while the ancient heathen Temple of Juggernaut, scene of diabolical and carnal routs, was rearsed. Casting went on for a vast army of nondescript extras and an imposing array of 42 batteries and 128 side arms, besides a miscellany of lesser incandescent equipment, were spotted for the big scenes.

ROUND THE CINEMAS

Popular Star Creates Many Laughs

NEW COMEDY PICTURE

There are many features which can not be overlooked in reviewing Richard Dix's new farce comedy, "Easy Come, Easy Go," but chiefly the picture is remarkable for its entertaining value. Judging from the laughter of the audiences at all the sessions at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, yesterday, "Easy Come, Easy Go" has a wide humorous appeal and is easily one of the best of Richard Dix's pictures.

Its humour, as in so many of the Dix comedies, is based entirely on the sympathy theme. It portrays the struggles of a young man, thoroughly honest and capable, but unfortunately, he has an embarrassing experience with a wily, but good-natured, crook, who gets him into a great deal of trouble from which his own ingenuity extricates him.

"Easy Come, Easy Go" is, certainly the type of story which Dix does best. It is straightforward, simply told, and unstrained. There is no striving for effect, but the action unfolds in increasingly funny sequences with the necessary dashes of romance to enhance the humour theme.

Nancy Carroll, Dix's new leading lady, who made an outstanding success in the Paramount picture of Anne Nichols' Abbie's Irish Rose, gains new laurels by her work in "Easy Come, Easy Go." She gives every evidence of becoming a favourite star.

SYLVIA CHEN

Moscow, March 4. Under the auspices of the Voks, the All-Union Society of Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, Sylvia Chen, the daughter of Eugene Chen, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of China, appeared to-day as dancer before an overflowed audience in the big hall of the Moscow Conservatoire.

Sylvia Chen had a tremendous success showing a great expressive talent.—Tass.

CHAT ON LOCAL FOOTBALL

(Continued from Page 9.)

neither were played. Recrelo were unable to field a side and canceled at 2 p.m. but neither their opponents nor the referee were informed to prevent them making that fruitless journey to King's park.

On account of Scotland requiring a try out the Somersets obliged, so the Club were not cased out.

Kowloon juniors could only muster five of their side so their fixture with Chinese "B" was not contested.

Maesey as the pivot put new life into the Club and his side was a trifle unlucky in not bagging both points from the University. Smith's great solo run from the half way line fully deserved crowning with a goal to give his side the verdict, but the final whistle sounded with the teams sharing four goals.

Ewo played an inspired game against South China "B" and ran out worthy winners by three goals to one. Kam Sik-kai, Ho Yau-tin and Tang Kon-sing were Ewo's sharpshooters with "B's" one and only being a gift by Ewo's keeper in the closing minute.

"Sunday Herald" Cup Final—To-morrow

The International Cup final will be contested between Scotland and China on the Club ground to-morrow. During the Christmas vacation China defeated Portugal by three clear goals while Scotland gained the verdict over England by the odd goal in three. Up to the present I have not heard of the selected elevens but China could field the same side that easily defeated Portugal. With Scotland, however, several changes must be made owing to the departure of the K.O.S.B. and with Valentine a doubtful starter through being on the injured list. It is my opinion that China has the best chance of being presented with the Sunday Herald Cup by Mrs. R. H. Kotewell and holding it for a year for the first time, after ninety minutes play.

Two Senior Games

The "Guns" will complete their programme to-morrow by meeting the Somersets in their postponed game from January 8. A particularly interesting struggle should be followed at Sookumpoo and with the result being decidedly open any verdict will not surprise me.

Kowloon have had their fixture with Recrelo brought forward from April 19. Recrelo gave us the biggest surprise of the day last Saturday by beating the "Sets" and if they can reproduce that form the home eleven will be severely tested. Here again the result is open but I fancy a division of the spoils.

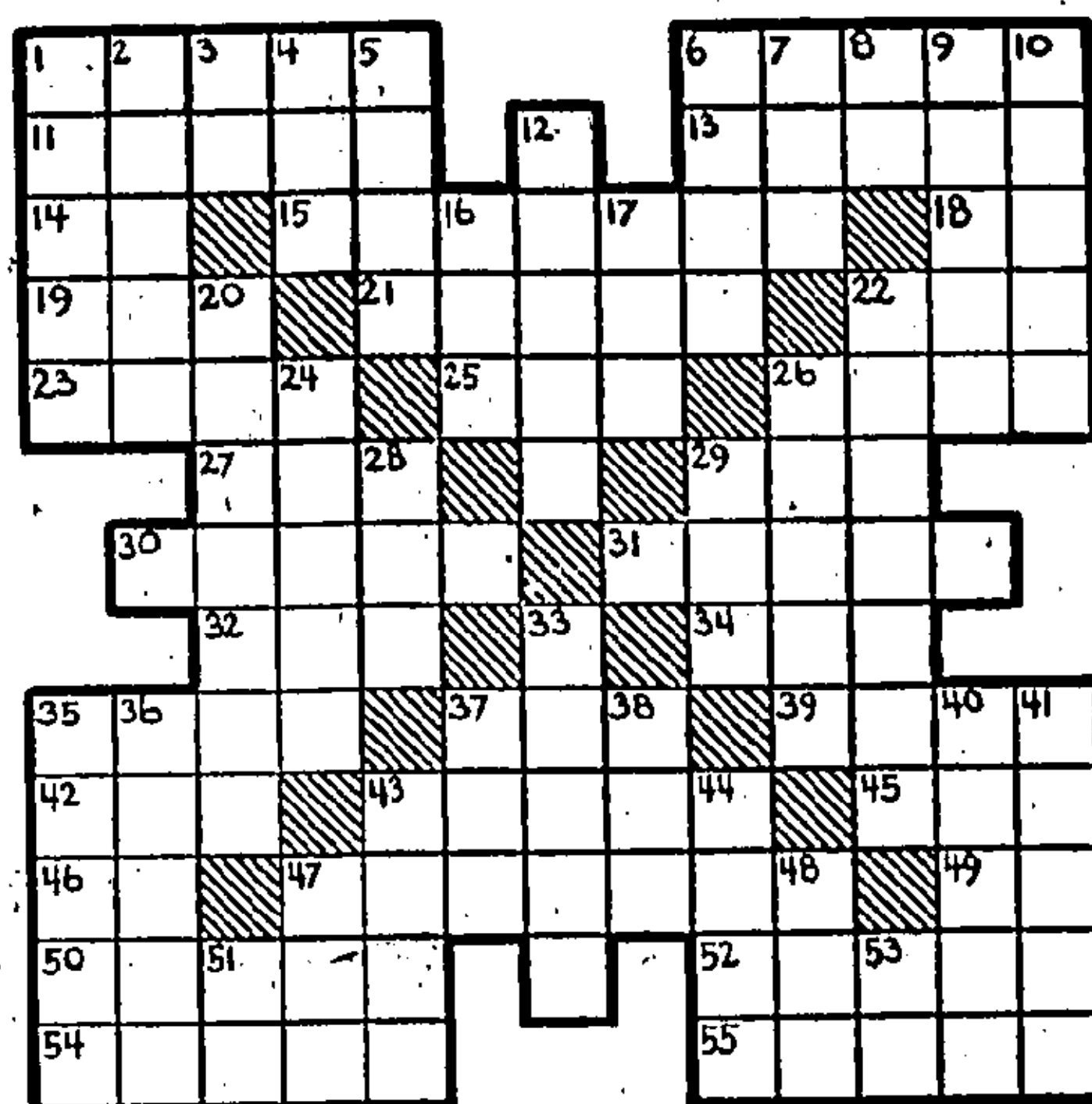
Junior Fixture

With Eastern at the top of their form the R.A. are likely to meet with reverse to-morrow, but nevertheless the match should be an interesting struggle.

The two teams at the foot of the table will meet on the Chinese ground at Happy Valley. Ewo's and the Club's fixtures have been

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Flute
- 6-Famous American pioneer
- 11-One who dislikes intensely
- 13-A scented root
- 14-Close to
- 15-Cubic capacity of a merchant vessel
- 18-Bone (Latin)
- 19-Tear
- 21-A god
- 22-Masculine name (short)
- 23-Heavenly body
- 25-Mimic
- 26-Seaport of Arabia
- 27-A human being
- 28-Trouble
- 30-Small spar for stretching a sail
- 31-Noisy breathing in sleep
- 32-A snake-like fish
- 34-An eagle
- 35-The principal Egyptian goddess
- 37-A vehicle
- 39-Weird

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 42-A Portuguese coin
- 43-Small animal of Asia Minor
- 46-Female deer
- 48-Egypt (abbr.)
- 47-Former capital of Egypt
- 49-Middle Atlantic State of U. S. (abbr.)
- 50-Articles
- 52-More national
- 54-Omission
- 55-Severe

VERTICAL

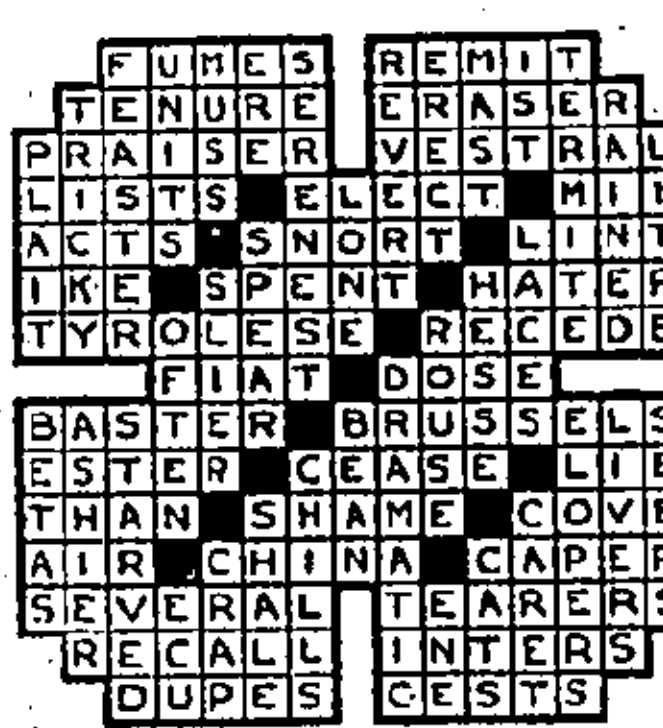
- 1-Delight
- 2-Relative amount
- 3-Pronoun
- 4-Joined
- 5-God
- 6-A goblet
- 7-Pacific State (abbr.)
- 8-Conjunction
- 9-A Creolian mother turned to stone
- 10-City of S. W. Prussia

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 12-A bird
- 16-National Education Association (abbr.)
- 17-Corroded
- 20-Ancient city of Italy
- 22-Decorated
- 24-Nostrils
- 26-Worship
- 28-Nothing
- 29-One (Scott.)
- 32-Lodges temporarily
- 35-Feminine name
- 36-Roll of tobacco leaves for smoking
- 37-Mechanical contrivance
- 38-Exclamation
- 40-Wanderer
- 41-Long for
- 43-A wild animal
- 44-Come short of
- 47-Member of Victoria Order (abbr.)
- 48-Rested
- 51-Ireland (abbr.)
- 53-Point of compass (abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



pierced sixty and sixty-one times this season but Ewo have registered nineteen goals to the Club's eleven, so the choice of the forward lines rests with Ewo. "After" their splendid display against South China "B" last Wednesday I predict that they will be the victors.

Kowloon are at home to the Navy and the Senior Service will have to look to their laurels if they desire to continue threatening to displace the K.O.S.B. for the Junior Trophy. I shall be greatly surprised if the Navy lose even one point.

South China "B" will have to submit to the superior tactics of the "Sets" and be content if they can keep the Soldiers from running up a big score.

St. Joseph's are a little stronger than the R.A.M.C. on paper but with new blood in the "Medicals" side they should give the "Saints" a good contest for the two points at stake. Possibly a point each will be the verdict.

TO-MORROW'S PROGRAMME

Sunday Herald Cup Final (4.30 p.m.)

Scotland v. South China, the Club Ground, Happy Valley.

Division I (4.30 p.m.)

Somersets v. R.A., the Military Ground, Sookumpoo.

Kowloon v. Recrelo, Kowloon F.C. Ground.

Division II (3 p.m.)

Eastern v. R.A., St. Joseph's ground, Happy Valley.

Ewo v. Club, Chinese Ground, Happy Valley.

Kowloon v. Navy, Kowloon F.C. ground.

South China "B" v. Somersets, Caroline Hill ground.

St. Joseph's v. R.A.M.C., the Military ground, Sookumpoo.

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

Division I

K.O.S.B. 23 11 8 3 45 21 23

Royal Navy 18 11 5 2 38 20 27

Athletic 17 11 3 3 40 18 26

Somersets 15 9 2 4 25 12 20

South China 18 8 4 4 23 12 20

R.A. 19 9 2 8 31 31 20

Kowloon 15 8 6 30 23 16

Club 18 5 9 19 33 9

St. Joseph's 19 4 13 17 55 9

Recrelo 14 3 10 19 37 7

Police 17 5 2 12 33 45 6

Division II

K.O.S.B. 23 23 3 3 45 21 23

Royal Navy 20 15 8 7 41 18 24

S. China 20 19 1 1 38 14 23

Chinese "A" 18 12 2 1 33 13 21

Somersets 22 18 3 1 35 17 23

Eastern 19 8 2 3 32 12 18

Kowloon 18 8 2 3 32 12 18

St. Joseph's 20 7 3 11 41 17 37

E.A. 23 7 4 11 38 15 17

S. China "B" 20 5 3 12 31 30 33

Chinese "B" 20 5 3 12 31 30 33

R.A.M.C. 20 5 3 12 31 30 33

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ADVENTURES OF A TENDERFOOT

POLE WHO HAS TOURED THE WORLD ON FOOT

ROBBED BY BANDITS

Canton, Yesterday.
Mr. A. E. Polozsky, a Pole, aged 48, who started in 1921 from his native home to tour the world on foot, arrived at Canton yesterday. Up to the present, he has already journeyed through Finland, France, Great Britain, Germany, Italy, Holland, Soviet Russia, China, Mongolia, Korea, Japan, and other countries, a distance of 59,130 miles.

After passing through Fokien, Chew-on, Swatow, Shanme, Hoi-fung, Shek-loon, and Tung-koon, Mr. Polozsky appeared upon his arrival before the authorities and said that he would leave in a few days for the other southern provinces and thence to Tibet and India and back to Poland, his world tour to be completed by the end of the year 1932.

At the beginning of his journey, he was accompanied by another Pole, who was unfortunately killed while en route from Fentien to Korea. On the present journey, when he was coming from Peking to Wanchow, he was robbed of all of his belongings, which greatly handicapped him on his way to Canton.—Canton News Agency.

EGYPT AND BRITAIN

Cairo, Yesterday.

Huge crowds, including students with banners, gave a rousing farewell to the Egyptian delegation, headed by the Prime Minister, Nahas Pasha, which is going to London to negotiate with the British Government.—Reuter.

NAVAL CONFERENCE TO BREAK UP?

FRENCH & ITALIAN DEADLOCK STILL A MENACE

NO DEVELOPMENT

Rugby, Yesterday.
The Prime Minister had a conversation with signor Grandi at the House of Commons this evening. With the departure of M. Briand for Paris this morning the likelihood of any important development in the Naval Conference is generally not expected before the week-end, but in the meantime the unremitting efforts to find a way out of the French and Italian deadlock are being continued. M. Tardieu and M. Briand are expected to return to London in a few days, the former probably on Saturday.—British Wireless Service.

Earlier Reports

Tokyo, Yesterday.
Reports have been published in London from Japan, emanating from sources other than Reuter's Agency, declaring that the American proposals at the Naval Conference are unacceptable to the Japanese Government.

Special enquiries have been made and the reports cannot be confirmed. It is considered highly improbable that there is any truth in them.

The final decision of the Japanese Government will, it is believed, be reached on Saturday.

While there appears to be a growing belief that Japan will be unable to accept the American proposals without some modification, a Foreign Office spokesman flatly denies that either the Government or any Government department has made any decision yet.

It is expected that the Cabinet will attempt to reach a decision on March 23, but it is possible that a reply will not be ready until next week.

Close observers believe that the reply, while rejecting the proposals in (Continued at foot of next column)

FILM OF GANDHI'S MARCH BANNED

INDIAN LEADER NOT TO APPEAR ON THE SCREEN

GOVERNMENT ACTION

Bombay, Yesterday.
The local Government has banned the public exhibition in Bombay Presidency of three films depicting Gandhi's march on March 12, produced by three different Indian film companies, although the Bombay Board of Film Censors approved the films.—Reuter.

Earlier Cables

Era of the Aeroplane

Borsad, Yesterday.
Before crossing the Mahi, Gandhi addressed the villagers of Kankapur, and said, "This will be the last religious pilgrimage in my life, and I have undertaken it on foot according to tradition." He added that nowadays it was the fashion to make pilgrimages by aeroplane, but by making theirs afoot, the Gandhi party were gaining much more. He exhorted the villagers to be ready to manufacture as soon as he reached Jalalpur and directed them to do so.

At Chester Assizes a woman alleged that her husband had libelled her in an inscription on a tomb-stone.

their form, will leave a way open to further negotiation.

London, Yesterday.

M. Briand has left for Paris. He was cheerful, and remarked: "It is useless sitting in my hotel watching the weather from the window. I shall return when there is some work for me to do."

He declined to combat on the prospect of the conference.

The French spokesman, interviewed by Reuter, explained that M. Briand's return to Paris to-day was due to the fact that he was requested to appear before the Chamber on the Committee of Foreign Affairs. It in nowise implies the breaking up of the conference. The spokesman drew attention to two outstanding questions: firstly the Franco-Italian one, which can only be settled by putting aside the question of parity and producing something definite; secondly, the figures between France and Britain, which can only be modified if a pact for better organisation of peace in Europe can be developed. He added that M. M. Tardieu and Briand intend to return soon, but whether their movements will be accelerated or retarded will depend on developments in London.

He concluded: "Four Powers have agreed to the need for preparing a programme of construction, but Italy stands out. That is the main difficulty."—Reuter.

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